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Long Weekend Holiday

Tourists throng City

Mysuru, Aug. 14 (MTY& NNN)- India is a country of festivals and holidays. If the holidays fall at the end of the week, then everyone plans on long weekend holidays.

Luckily, August has two long weekends and Mysuru being a tourist city, there is a rush of visitors that began two days ago. It was second Saturday (a holiday on Aug. 12) followed by Sunday (Aug. 13) and many applying leave on Monday and tomorrow being Independence Day, it is a great opportunity for tourists to enjoy the long holiday.

The inflow of tourists was at its peak today in the city, with the tourist attractions like KRS, Chamundi Hill, Zoo and Palace witnessing a huge number. Mostly the visitors are from Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and Telangana. They were coming in droves in cars, coaches, buses both private and Government, tempo travellers, cabs and there was an atmosphere of bonhomie and gaiety.

Rush of tourists in front of Mysuru Zoo. The Zoo will remain open on its weekly holiday tomorrow (Tuesday) in view of I-Day.

The ticket counters were chock-a-block as the visitors fell over another to buy tickets with the children and the aged in tow. They had to pass through metal detectors and the security guards had a tough time controlling the crowd. The whole area was jammed with vehicles as there is no proper place for parking.

The guards also kept a strict vigil on the people and were seen confiscating plastic bags as the Zoo is a plastic-free zone. Pickpockets are known to loiter around the Zoo and announcements were being made to be careful about them. The crowd near the Snake Park inside the Zoo was thick and the common complaint was this is where the pickpockets strike.

Mysuru Zoo Executive Director C. Ravishankar speaking to *Star of Mysore* said, "Since three days there is a huge rush. We have installed nearly 90 CCTV cameras to capture the miscreants. The Police are keeping an eye on suspicious movement of people and the gatekeepers are alert all the time to prevent any untoward incident."

The scene atop the Chamundi Hill was no different as the devotees thronged the temple in large numbers. The Palace, which never fails to strike awe among the tourists, especially the first-timers was overflowing. The Police had a tough time controlling the crowd. The metal detectors are installed and everyone entering was being frisked.

The next long weekend is from August 25, Ganesha festival which falls on a Friday.

HOLIDAY

Our offices will remain closed tomorrow on account of Independence Day. Hence, there will be no issue of *Star of Mysore* dated 15.8.2017.

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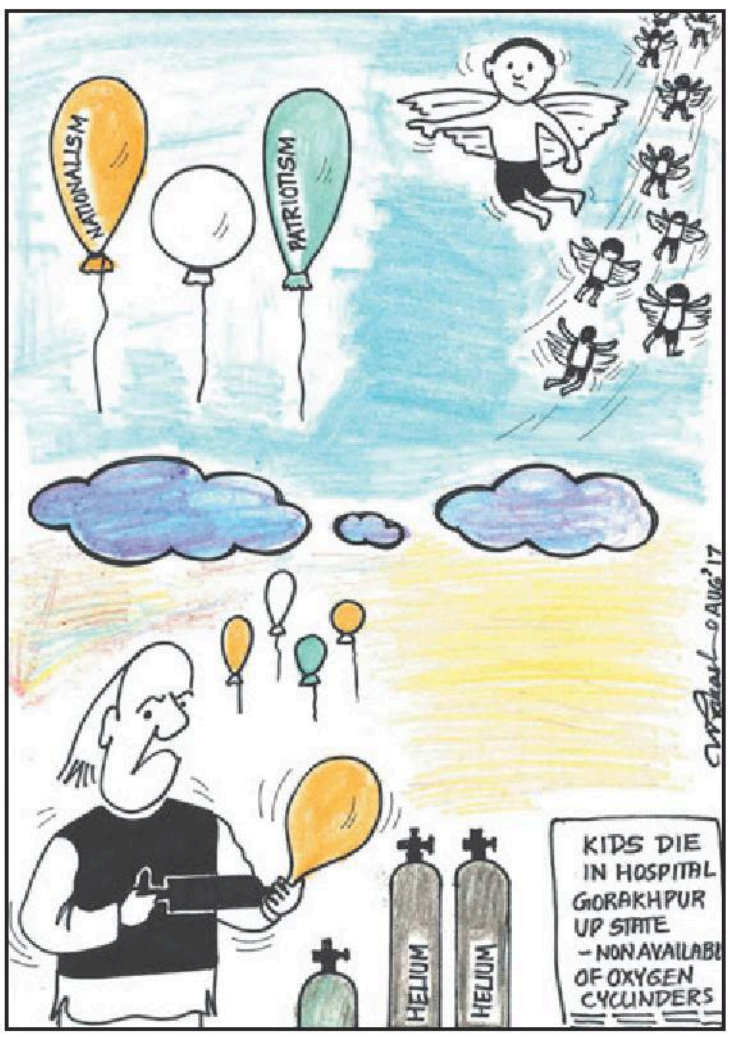

Actor Jaggesh's son stabbed in road rage

Bengaluru, Aug.14- Gururaj, the elder son of cine actor Jaggesh, was reportedly stabbed on his leg by miscreants at R.T. Nagar in Bengaluru this morning.

Gururaj

It is said, Gururaj had gone to drop his son to school in a car, when he entered into an altercation with a group of persons over parking of vehicles.

Even as a heated argument ensued, one among the group is said to have knifed Gururaj on his left leg and fled from the spot.

Gururaj, who sustained injuries, was rushed to a nearby hospital, it is learnt. R.T. Nagar Police have registered a case in this regard.

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Editor-in-Chief: K.B. GANAPATHY B.A; B.L.
Mysuru, Monday 14th August 2017

Footwear for fair-sex foot-soldiers

Sculptures adorning the land's places of worship in virtually all regions across its length and breadth by artisans whose identity is sadly lost in antiquity have almost preserved their original image over centuries but for the uncultured act of iconoclasts as recorded by chroniclers at different periods in the long history of the sub-continent. While the idols have been sculpted to reflect the beauty of various characters from head to foot as it were, figurines in the land's epics, in a mix of divine and erotic postures, enduring their magnetic attraction to every kind of viewers in infinite numbers and still counting, one is obliged to point out that the artisans don't seem to have included *footwear* of the characters, except in passing. However, the paintings of both the divinity chosen by sculptors as well as common people of the bygone past by artistes do show the characters wearing footwear of none-too-intricate designs, unlike those which are common sight in our times.

We are in an era witnessing bold and revealing multi-coloured advertisements by producers of and traders in lingerie of both sexes in periodicals as well as on the small screen creating an unstoppable urge to indulge in their impulse buying. Even the *one-time humble* footwear is vying for space sought by the advertisers, what with glorifying the superiority of their respective brands, cost being of no concern, driven by the factor of status by wearing high-end products.

Footwear, no matter what it costs to its wearer and what rating it enjoys, has its enigmatic and stigmatic side, given the practice of disallowing entry to the premises of places of worship footwear on and also that of leaving the protective part of one's attire outside the doorstep, a practice followed to this day widely, obviously for good reasons. Mysureans of a not-too-distant past were also required to enter the office of bureaucrats in high posts of the government not to wear footwear but leave it outside as a rule, again for good reason, namely, not to give scope for hurling footwear at dignitaries as it is reportedly happening occasionally in the country.

The idioms *"The wearer knows where the shoe pinches,"* and *"The shoe is on the other foot"* may assume deeper meaning in the backdrop of the just announced measure by the Tamil Nadu Government to replace the official shoes being worn by the fair-sex fraternity in the Police Department designed for men with a different one to suit the peculiar ergonomic feature of women staff. TN's pioneering step in providing the best suited shoes to the fair-sex foot- soldiers of the State with a 33 percent presence in 1.2 lakh strong force may witness countrywide adoption, including Karnataka.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

A worried-looking Chintoo talking to his pal, Pintoo.

Chintoo: ***Arre Pintoo, have you read that report in TOI that those taxwalas are spying on us by looking at the photos that we post on Facebook?*** *Pintoo:* ***Why don't they look at their own pictures on Facebook if they want to do time pass?***

Chintoo: ***Oof, oh. The taxwalas are not looking at our Facebook selfies to do time pass. They are looking at our Facebook selfies so that they can raid our houses.*** *Pintoo:* ***Raid our houses? I didn't know putting selfies on Facebook has become a crime. Has anyone informed Mark Zuckerbergji about this?***

Chintoo: ***No, no, bewakoof. Putting selfies on Facebook is not a crime. But having concealed income is a crime. And that's why the taxwalas will raid our houses.*** *Pintoo:* ***But how will the taxwalas know we have concealed income by looking at our selfies?***

Chintoo: ***How? Simple. When do you take selfies? When you go on that super deluxe holiday in Switzerland. Or throw a party at a 5-star hotel for 300 friends. Or pose in front of that new Merc. Right? So how come you pay zero income tax and can yet go on that Swiss holiday, throw that party, buy that Merc? That's how the taxwalas know you have concealed income and raid your house.*** *— Jug Suraiya in The Times of India.*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Unstoppable "Gentle Giant"

Sydney: A 7-year-old Samoan rugby player who towers over most kids his age recently sparked controversy in the world of children's sports, after a video showing him effortlessly tearing through the entire opposing rugby team during a league game went viral online.

Vaka Tuitupou weighs around 100 kg and is taller than most kids of his age. He's also a pretty good rugby player and considering his physical advantages, his team, the Sydney St. John's Eagles, only play him when they really need to. The video of Vaka has been doing the rounds online for the last two weeks, was originally posted by the boy's father, to showcase his talent, but ended up in controversy.

The controversy that soon spread from social networks to mainstream media websites negatively impacted Vaka, according to his father, 'at the end of the day, it's not his fault that he is bigger than the other children, and he is following the rules. His coach and teammates describe the boy as a shy "gentle giant" who wouldn't hurt a fly. He just wants to play rugby.

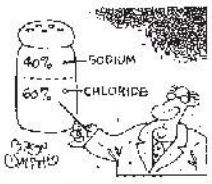
Alcohol-Infused Sausages

Dublin: They say you shouldn't drink and drive, but one meat shop in Irvinestown, Northern Ireland, wants to make "don't eat and drive" a thing too. It has recently launched a line of sausages infused with popular alcoholic drinks, including vodka and Red bull, or dark rum and orange soda.

Maguire Meats owner Keelan Maguire says that he came up with the idea for alcohol-infused sausages while talking with his team about new products for the summer barbecue season. Alcohol just seemed like the craziest idea, so they launched their vodka and Red Bull bangers and it is an instant hit. They just added a Captain Morgan rum and Club Orange soda sausage to their line. They're both selling like crazy, according to Maguire. Interestingly enough, alcohol-infused sausages are starting to look like somewhat of a trend in Northern Ireland, right now. About a month ago, McCartney's Of Moira, a 140-year-old butcher shop in Craigavon, started selling gin and tonic pork sausages.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

How much sodium does salt contain?



40% of the weight of salt consists of sodium. The remaining 60% is chloride. Consequently, we consume 2.5 times more salt than sodium. The average sodium intake among Americans is 3,400 MG.

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Bags "Emerging Educationist Award"

Joseph Thomas, Chairman, Mount Litera Zee School, Mysuru, was recently conferred with "Emerging Educationist Award" by Indus Foundation. Picture shows Joseph Thomas** (left) **receiving the award from Muralidhar Halappa** (right), **Chairman, Karnataka Skill Development Commission.

Music Varsity gets new Registrar (Evaluation)

Music University Vice-Chancellor Dr. Sarvamangala Shankar** (extreme right) **and Registrar Prof. Niranjana** (centre) **are seen greeting Prof. R. Rajesh of Department of Sociology, Bangalore University, who took charge as the Registrar (Evaluation) of Music Varsity here recently.

Really...?

- ***The aquarium is filled with over one million litres (260,000 US gallons) of salt water. Weighing a total of two tons, the massive aquarium is supported by a nine-meter (30-foot) tall foundation. It cost a whopping €12.8 million ($13 million) to construct the aquarium.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Hubby to his wife: *Do you like it at the beach, darling?*
Wife: *Yes! The view makes me quite speechless, dear!*
Hubby: *Very good, we're staying three weeks!!*

Today's Currency Rate

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 63.96
1 UK Pound	Rs. 83.26
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 17.41
1 Euro	= Rs. 75.65

VOICE OF THE READER

"Make in India" or "Made in China?"

Sir,

International trade between various countries is a must for survival of all the nations and invariably there are trade imbalances. While India is exporting a lot of goods to other countries, it has a net trade deficit of about 47 Billion US Dollars with China! They are using this economic strength to bully us.

The trade imbalance is mainly because "Made in China" products have proliferated in India as its billion strength workforce is toiling in their factories like assembly line. On top of this, the Chinese have imposed trade restrictions on many Indian goods. A list of Chinese products exported to India is ridiculously basic and significantly long.

Some of these are school bags, office furniture, ball point pens, kitchen utensils and appliances, pumps, golf carts, building materials and most importantly mobile phones. I am shocked that we can send a spacecraft to Mars but cannot produce enough smart phones for our own masses. Are not our manufacturing and electronic industries capable of manufacturing these items of similar quality for domestic consumption at competitive rates? We need the moral strength to resist the addiction to buy cheap "Made in China" mobile phones and other products and buy only "Made in India" products.

For example, Japan, after the Hiroshima bombing, did not purchase even a single pin from the USA even though they poured millions of dollars as aid to restore the nation. Japan of course is now a substantial trade surplus country and hence has liberalised its import policy towards the USA.

It is really sad to note that Indian Cricket team has "Oppo" logo on their shirts and the next season's IPL players will have "Vivo" logo prominently displayed on their shirts (both are Chinese mobile companies). While the Indian Army Chief and his brave jawans are facing Chinese bullets on our Northern frontier, Indian Cricket Board's Chief and the general public are stabbing them from behind! I hope, in an IPL match, an Indian player after hitting a sixer would not jubilantly wave his bat with "Made in China" painted on it!

On the eve of our 70th Independence Anniversary, let us all pledge not to buy any "Made in China" (smartly camouflaged as Made in PRC) product at least until our trade deficit improves and the confrontation across the border disappears.

—U.B. Acharya
Jayalakshmipuram
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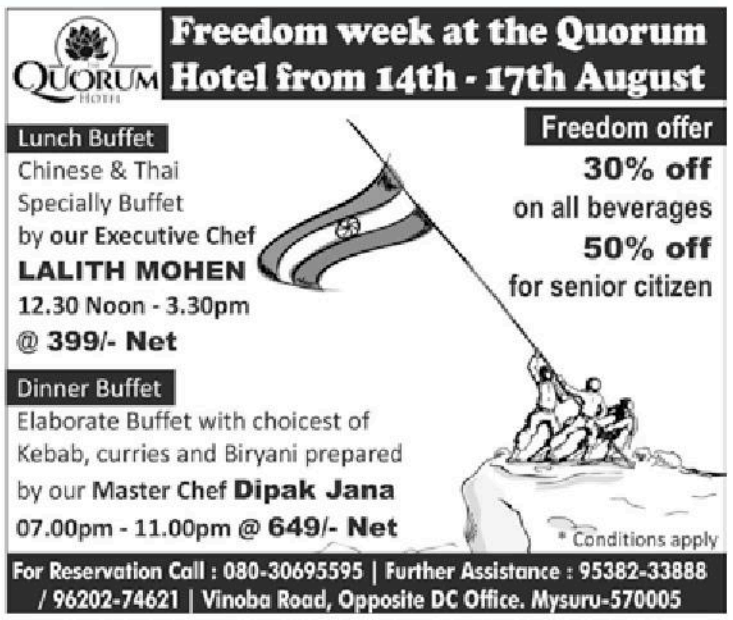
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NEWS BRIEFS

Essay for teachers

As part of Teacher's Day celebrations, Mar Thoma Education Society, St. Thomas Institutions, Vishweshwaranagar, has organised a Bishop Zacharias Mar Theophilus Memorial Inter-School Essay Writing Competition for School Teachers in both English and Kannada languages, at its premises on Aug.19 (Saturday) from 10 am to 12 noon. Topics include Politics without Principles (Tathvagalillada Rajakiya), Wealth without work (Kelasa rahita Sampathu), Education without Character (Charithyavilada Shikshana), Commerce without morality (Naitikate illada Vyavahara) and Pleasure without conscience (Atmasakshi illada ananda). For details, contact Mob: 91106-51476 or 94484-93760.

Cultural contest for children

As part of Independence Day and Sri Krishna Janmashtami celebrations, Yashu Children and Cultural Academy and Arora Education Trust have jointly organised drawing, fancy dress, essay writing and singing (patriotic song) contests for children aged between 5 and 16 years at Yashu Children Academy premises in Cheluvamba Agrahara on Aug. 20 at 10.30 am. For details, contact Yashoda Narayan on 94496-80130.

Matrimonial meet

JSS Vivaha Vedike has organised a matrimonial meet at Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Bhavan in JSS Hospital premises on Aug. 20 from 10 am to 1 pm. Those registered at the Vedike may attend. Also, interested may register their names at the Vedike during the occasion. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2430322 or Mob: 96110-70674.

Appointed

Mohammed Ali has been appointed as the Member of N.R. Constituency Azeez Sait Block Congress Executive Committee, according to a release.

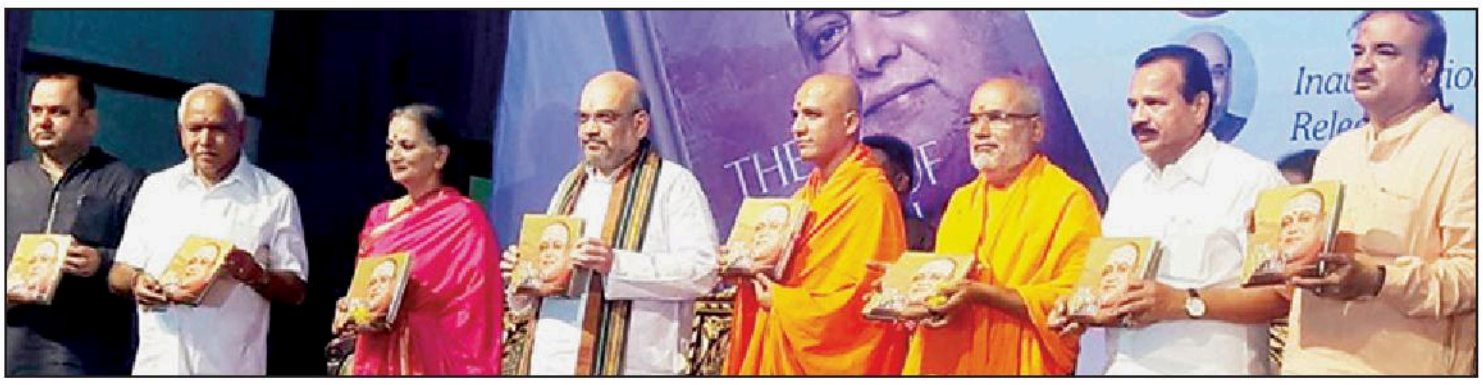
Obituary

Kambiranda Aiyanna

Mysuru, Aug. 14- Kambiranda Aiyanna (98) passed away last night at his daughter's residence in SBM Colony, Srirampura 2nd Stage. He leaves behind daughters Palandira Vedavathi (Radha) & Mallangada Leelavathi, son Vasu Uttappa and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at the foot of the Chamundi Hill this afternoon.

Amit Shah visits Adichunchanagiri Mutt



BJP National President Amit Shah** (4th from left) **is seen releasing the book titled 'The Story of a Guru' authored by Sudhamahi Regunathan** (3rd from left)**, at Adichunchanagiri Mutt in Bellur yesterday as Sports Minister Pramod Madhwaraj, BJP State President B.S. Yeddyurappa, Sri Nirmalanandanatha Swamiji, Sri Paramananda Saraswathi Swamiji, Union Ministers D.V. Sadananda Gowda and H.N. Ananth Kumar look on.

Mandya, Aug.14- Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) National President Amit Shah, who is on a three-day visit to the State to strengthen the party unit's organisational structure, yesterday visited the Adichunchanagiri Mutt at Bellur in Nagamangala taluk of Mandya district, a major religious centre for the Vokkaliga community.

Shah was given a rousing welcome by Mutt students, folk artistes and the Mutt authorities. Shah visited Sri Kalabhaireshwara Temple and the Samadhi of Sri Balagangadharanatha Swamiji. He also released a book titled 'The Story of a Guru' on Sri Balagangadharanatha Swamiji, penned by writer Sudhamahi Regunathan.

Later speaking, Shah hailed Sri Balagangadharanatha Swamiji's contribution to the field of education, health and environment.

Terming his visit to Adichunchanagiri and releasing the book as a 'memorable one' in his life, Shah said that the Mutt is performing its religious duties, helping people and imparting education to all. Paying rich tributes to Bengaluru Founder 'Nadaprabhu' Kempegowda, he said that Kempegowda was fond of establishing religious centres. Kempegowda, a chieftain under the Vijayangar empire, had dreamt of a model city and developed Bengaluru to be a centre for trade and education.

Hailing religious Mutts for encouraging religious and spiritual activities, Shah said that the Adichunchanagiri Mutt was doing commendable work by running 464 educational institutions with 1.35 lakh students. He further said that Prime Minister Narendra Modi had become a ambassador of Indian culture, by spreading it to the world.

The Mutt Seer Sri Nirmalanandanatha Swamiji, in his address, said that the head of Goraknatha Peetha Yogi Adityanath has become the Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh, but the Adichunchanagiri Mutt has always stayed away from politics. Clarifying that the Mutt will not plunge into politics, he said that it will continue to only bless leaders.

Stating that Shah's visit was not fixed in a hurry as the Mutt had extended invitation two years ago, he said Shah, who believes in religion, was invited to release the book on Sri Balagangadharanatha Swamiji.

Later, the BJP President visited Adichunchanagiri Medical and Engineering Colleges and addressed the students. The Seer felicitated Shah by presenting him a silver idol of Ganesha.

Union Ministers D.V. Sadananda Gowda and H.N. Ananth Kumar, BJP State President B.S. Yeddyurappa, former Deputy CM R.Ashok, Delhi MP Mahesh Giri and others were present.

Interestingly, Former External Affairs Minister S.M. Krishna, who recently quit the Congress and joined the BJP, was not present at the programme.

Modi-Shah poll strategies will not affect Congress: CM

Kalaburagi, Aug.14- Maintaining that no matter whatever strategies Prime Minister Narendra Modi and BJP National Chief Amit Shah devise in Bengaluru ahead of the ensuring Assembly elections, the Congress will not be affected by them, Chief Minister Siddharamaiah claimed that the BJP was opposed to social justice.

The Chief Minister was speaking at Aland town in the district, where he performed ground-breaking ceremony for the construction of Mini Vidhana Soudha at a cost of Rs. 100 crore.

"Let Modi, Shah or anybody else come and stay in Bengaluru, the Congress will not be affected by it," asserted Siddharamaiah.

Reiterating that their camping in Karnataka or their strategy to win the elections would not work as the people know what the BJP is, the CM ruled out the possibility of Congress going for an early election in the State.

The CM further said that the strategy of luring AHINDA voters to the BJP would also not work.

One arrested for selling liquor in vegetable shop

Mysuru, Aug. 14 (MTY&KS)- Yelwal Police have arrested a person on charges of selling liquor in a vegetable shop and have seized liquor bottles from the shop.

The arrested person has been identified as 45-year-old R. Natesh, son of Ramanna, a resident of Janata Colony in Yelwal here.

As bars and liquor outlets on highways have been closed as per Supreme Court order, liquor is now being sold illegally in vegetable and grocery shops and the Police are taking stringent action against them.

Following a tip off that liquor was being sold at a vegetable shop in Janata Colony, Yelwal, the Police, on Saturday night raided the shop and found that liquor was indeed being sold in the vegetable shop and arrested Natesh besides seizing liquor bottles from the shop.

Sources said that many grocery shops on Mysuru-Hunsur Highway were selling liquor and the Police are planning to raid such shops and take action against those indulged in the illegal activity.

A case has been registered at Yelwal Police Station in this regard.

Mystery shrouds woman Congress leader's death in Kodagu

Mukkatira Anita Machaiah

Virajpet, Aug.14- A prominent woman Congress leader was found dead under suspicious circumstances at her home in Virajpet town yesterday.

The deceased has been identified as Mukkatira Anita Machaiah (52). Anita Machaiah, who had deserted her husband, was living alone at her residence in Gandhinagar of the town.

As Anita did not come out of her house even late in the morning, her neighbours getting suspicious, informed the local youth, who removed the roof tiles when it was found that Anita was lying dead in room at the rear end of the house.

Soon, the Police were alerted. Virajpet Circle Police Inspector Kumar Aradhya, who rushed to the spot, informed Anita's relative Appachhu who resides at Madikeri.

The body was shifted to Virajpet Government Hospital for post-mortem, following which it was handed over to Appachhu.

Anita's last rites were performed later in the evening at Virajpet Kodava Samaj Burial ground.

Virajpet Police who have registered an unnatural death case in this regard, are investigating.

Bike rider killed in road accident

Mysuru, Aug.14 (RK&DM)- A bike rider was killed on the spot when he met with a self accident on Valmiki Road late last night.

The deceased has been identified as **Kiran (24)** of N.R. Mohalla.

Kiran was riding a Bajaj Discover motorcycle on Valmiki Road, when he lost control while negotiating a road hump near Rama Mandir and fell down with his head hitting a stone kerb.

Kiran, who sustained serious injuries, died on the spot, it is learnt.

V.V. Puram Traffic Police have registered a case in this regard.

Burglars steal gold
ornaments from locked house

Mysuru, Aug. 14 (MTY&KS)- House burglars, who gained entry into a locked house by using the key kept on the window sill by the house owner, have decamped with gold ornaments and cash kept in the house belonging to Yashoda at Lingambudhipalya here on Saturday.

Yashoda, who had to go out for some work, had kept the key of the house on the window sill after locking the house on Saturday morning.

When she returned in the evening and went into the house, she found gold ornaments weighing about 29.50 grams and Rs. 5,000 cash missing from the house. Burglars had used the house key kept on the window sill to gain entry into the house, Yashoda has stated in her complaint.

Kuvempunagar Police, who have registered a case in this regard, are investigating.

Thieves steal laptop
after breaking car glass

Mysuru, Aug. 14 (MTY&KS)- Miscreants have stolen a laptop worth about Rs. 40,000 kept inside a car, which was parked on the roadside near the Golf Club beside Mysore Race Course on Saturday night.

Dr. Mohan, to whom the car belongs, had kept the laptop inside the car and had parked it near the Golf Club to go to the mall nearby. When he returned after sometime, he found the car glass broken and the laptop missing. He immediately lodged a complaint at Nazarbad Police Station in this regard.

Nazarbad Police, who have registered a case in this regard, are investigating.

Meti episode: Woman attempts suicide after being threatened

Bagalkot, Aug. 14- The woman, who was in a sleaze video clip with former Minister H.Y. Meti, aired by a TV channel in Dec. 2016, attempted suicide by consuming sleeping tablets here yesterday after being allegedly threatened by Meti's supporters.

Vijayalakshmi, the woman, was taken to the District Hospital and is now out of danger, according to doctors.

The woman told reporters that she had tried to end her life as she was being threatened by Meti's supporters.

It may be recalled that the CD episode had resulted in Meti tendering his resignation from the Ministry and it has just been three months the Criminal Investigation Department (CID) had given him a clean chit.

Gambling: Six arrested

Mysuru, Aug. 14 (MTY&KS)- Mysuru Rural Police, acting on a tip off that gambling was going on at a public place near the Bandipalya APMC yard milk parlour on Mysuru-Nanjangud Road, raided the place and arrested six persons indulged in gambling.

The arrested persons have been identified as Sanjay, Manu, Ismail, Gurumurthy, Chamaraju and Mahesh Kumar.

Mysuru Rural Police Station Inspector Jagadeesh supervised his staff in the raid and arrest.

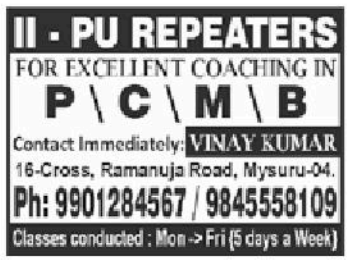
A case has been registered at Mysuru Rural Police Station in this regard.

Bike-borne miscreants snatch mobile phone

Mysuru, Aug. 14 (MTY&KS)- An incident of bike-borne miscreants snatching a mobile phone from a person who was talking over the phone has been reported near the private bus stand at the old RMC here on Saturday.

The person, who lost his mobile phone worth about Rs. 14,000, has been identified as Nagendra. Nagendra, who was walking near the private bus stand at the Old RMC, got a call on his cell phone and after receiving the call, he stopped near Panchamukhi Ganapathy Temple and continued his conversation, when three miscreants who came in a bike snatched his mobile phone and fled from the spot despite there being a lot of people around.

Mandi Police, who have registered a case in this regard, are investigating.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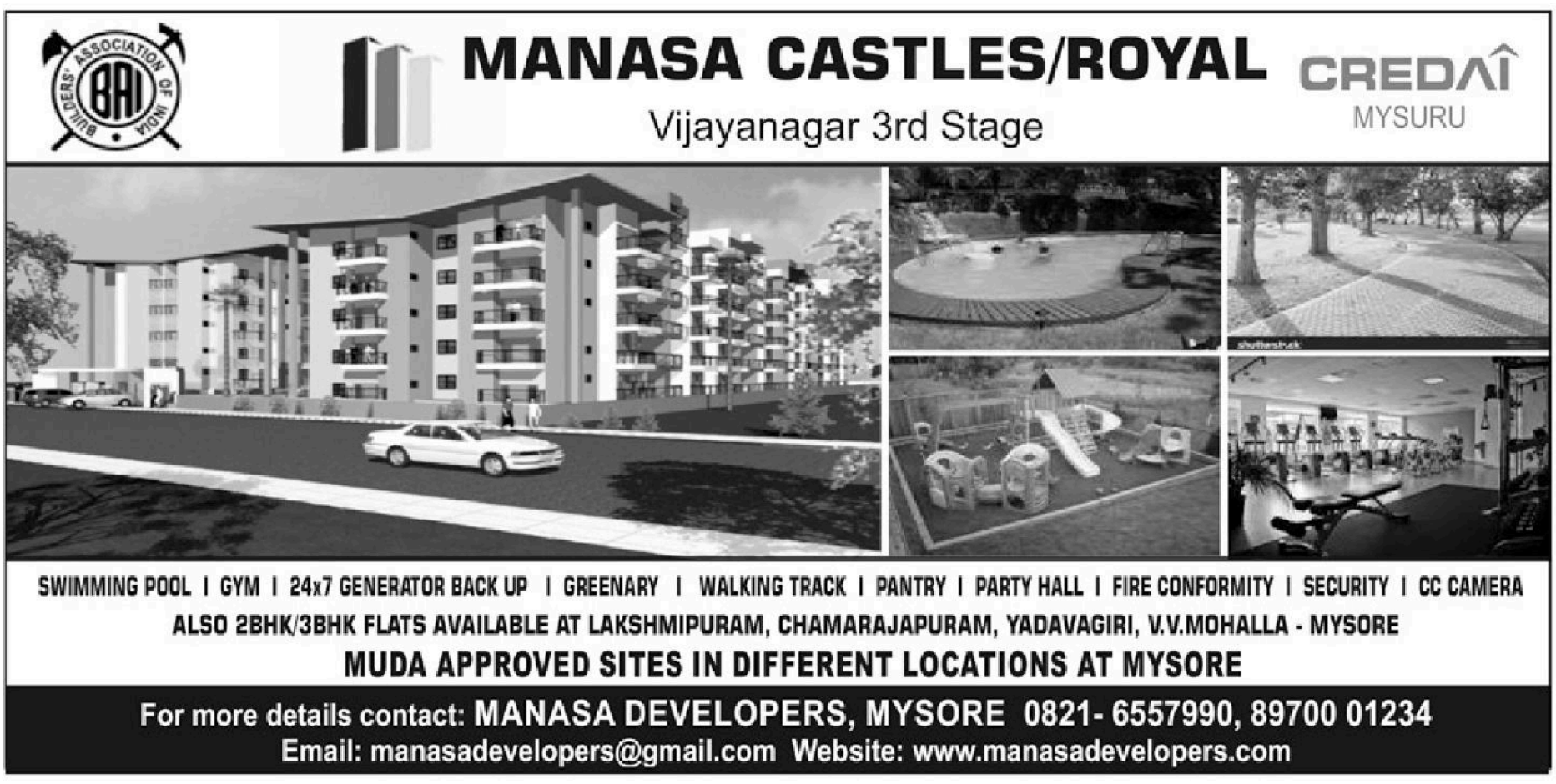
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A moving train to Pakistan

"Idea of India would be good if it is Akhand Bharat"

This is the 70th year of India's Independence. Every time we recall the 'Tryst With Destiny' speech by the first Prime Minister of the country Jawaharlal Nehru in India's Constituent Assembly, we also recall that outside the well-guarded enclaves of New Delhi the horror of Partition was well underway.

Twenty years ago when the country celebrated its Golden Jubilee of Independence, ***Star of Mysore*** had written about **"Trauma of Partition Recalled,"** in its 'Golden Jubilee of Indian Independence Special Issue' dated August 14, 1997. *SOM* had spoken to three people, who immigrated to India after Partition — J.C. Gupta, the then Director of Glowtronics, K.L. Passi, a Class A Contractor and J.R. Sharma, CFTRI Scientist, who had all settled down in Mysuru after Partition. Now, twenty years later, there are very few people living to share the agony of those days. Hence, ***SOM*** decided to meet the post-Independence people coming from what is now Pakistan.

Star of Mysore **Features Editor N. Niranjan Nikam** spoke to **Kamal Kant Bagai,** Anthropologist and former Head of Office, Anthropological Survey of India, Southern Regional Centre, Mysuru; **Prof. Rajesh Sachdeva,** former Director, Central Institute of Indian Languages (CIIL); **Prof. Mewa Singh,** Life-Long Distinguished Professor, University of Mysore and **Dr. Hansraj Dua,** former Professor in CIIL. The common thread that ran through the conversations between the four —"The Partition brought both the sides (India and Pakistan) misery, sorrow and violence. Instead, why can't we dream of an Akhand Bharat at least now?" **—Editor**

By N. Niranjan Nikam

Only three communities bore the brunt of Partition — the Punjabis, Sindhis and Bengalis. Even the Kashmiris did not feel the bitterness, violence, being uprooted, removed from their land like these three communities. Of course, Indian Muslims from Bihar and Uttar Pradesh and other places did bear the brunt, said **Prof. Rajesh Sachdeva,** recalling the horrors of Partition.

"I was born after Partition. But my parents came as refugees to Delhi. My grandfather was a respected school teacher in Gujranwala, now in Pakistan. Everybody spoke and wrote Urdu. My father did his schooling in Urdu. And I have heard the experiential account of my parents of Partition as a child, which sets me thinking always, what if it had not happened?" said Prof. Sachdeva.

Prof. Hansraj Dua, who was the only one among the four who witnessed the Partition, reminisced about those days when he was a child of around 12. "I was living in a small village, Chak 38, near Mandi Bahauddin, in what is now Pakistan. There were very few Hindu families and it had a majority Muslim population. Everyone was living in total harmony. Suddenly there was talk of Partition. We were asked to shout slogans like *Pakistan Zindabad.* Then we did not think that we would be moving out. Because we did not know what the world outside was," recalled the octogenarian Prof. Dua.

Then the dreaded thing happened. You are Hindus; you have to move out of this village. The stories of communal violence and civil war started penetrating. The family was first moved to a nearby urban centre and lodged in a government school premises. It was a camp but it could still not be called a refugee camp.

"The sanitation condition was very poor. There was an outbreak of cholera. People all around were dying. There was a sense of bitterness, sorrow and regret even as the stench of dead bodies kept hitting us. Finally, the army came and we were relieved. We were all put on a goods train and it took us three days to reach Amritsar as the train would halt for hours," he said and added, "We also had the fear that the train would be burnt. And when we arrived in Amritsar we were given food. From there we moved to Rajasthan and now I have retired in Mysuru," said Prof. Dua with a great tinge of sadness, anguish, sorrow and relief.

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Prof. Hansraj Dua

Kamal Kant Bagai** (left) **and Prof. Rajesh Sachdeva.

"There is a very interesting but a real tale. The State of Malerkotla was established in 1600 A.D. It is noteworthy that during the 1947 riots when Punjab was in flames, the State of Malerkotla did not witness a single incidence of violence; through it all, it remained unaffected."

— Prof. Mewa Singh

Q1. Can small mining leaseholders with a turnover less than Rs.75 lakh operate under composition scheme?
Ans. As per Section 10(1) of the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (CGST Act, 2017), a registered person whose aggregate turnover in the preceding FY did not exceed Rs.75 lakh, would be eligible for paying GST under the composition scheme.

Q2. What is the GST rate for minerals and ores in composition scheme?
Ans. In a case where the process amounts to manufacture, the rate of tax will be 1% (CGST) and 1% (SGST/UTGST). In any other case, the rate will be ½% (CGST) and ½% (SGST/UTGST).

Q3. Will they have to deposit GST under SGST / CGST heads separately?
Ans. Yes. GST has to be paid separately under CGST and SGST/UTGST by generating a single challan through the common portal under a single return.

Q4. Can a small Mine Lease holder undertake inter-State supply if it avails composition scheme?
Ans. No. If a supplier chooses to avail of the composition scheme, he shall not undertake inter-State supply.

Q5. What is the IGST rate for minerals and ores in case of inter-State supply?
Ans. At present, the IGST rate is the sum of CGST and SGST/ UTGST rates. These rates have been notified and are available in public domain.

Q6. Can the buyer get input credit on the supply of minerals from a mine owner in composition scheme?
Ans. No, the buyer cannot avail of the credit of tax paid by the supplier who is under the composition scheme as the person paying tax under composition scheme cannot issue a tax invoice and collect taxes on his supplies.

Q7. Will the recipient have to pay tax under reverse charge?
Ans. GST on reverse charge mechanism is payable under Section 9(4) of the CGST Act, 2017 only in case of purchases from unregistered suppliers. As the mine owner who is paying tax under composition scheme is registered, the recipients need not pay GST on reverse charge mechanism.

Q8. What is the threshold limit and conditions when a small mine owner/lease holder under Composition Scheme has to migrate into full GST System?
Ans. As per Section 10(3) of the CGST Act, 2017, the option availed of by the small mine owner/lease holder shall lapse with effect from the day on which his aggregate turnover during a financial year exceeds Rs.75 lakh. For details regarding other conditions, Section 10 of the CGST Act, 2017 and the rules framed thereunder may be referred to.

Q9. Is the Return filing and compliance simpler under composition scheme?
Ans. Yes, Return filing and compliance is simpler under the composition scheme. The registered person has to file only one return on a quarterly basis in Form GSTR-4.

Q10. Will the basic exemption limit from GST be applicable to the tiny & micro segment in mining?
Ans. Yes, the basic exemption limit of Rs.20 lakh (Rs.10 lakh in the case of special category States) is applicable to the tiny and micro segment even in mining. However, a person engaged in making taxable supply and having aggregate annual turnover (more than Rs.20 lakh in any State other than the special category States) would be liable to obtain registration under GST. The return has to be filed on monthly basis by regular taxable persons and on quarterly basis by the taxable persons registered under the composition scheme.

Q11. What is aggregate turnover?
Ans. As per Section 2(6) of the CGST Act, 2017, "aggregate turnover" means the aggregate value of all taxable supplies (excluding the value of inward supplies on which tax is payable by a person on reverse charge basis), exempt supplies, exports of goods or services or both and inter-State supplies of persons having the same Permanent Account Number, to be computed on all India basis but excludes Central tax, State tax, Union Territory tax, integrated tax and compensation cess.

Q12. Will the buyer of goods from unregistered person pay reverse tax?
Ans. A registered person receiving taxable goods or services from a supplier who is not registered, would be liable to pay GST under reverse charge mechanism. However, in terms of notification no. 8/2017-Central Tax (rate) dated 26th June, 2017, aggregate value of supplies of goods and/or service received by a registered person from any or all the suppliers, who is or are not registered, upto five thousand rupees in a day is exempt from tax under reverse charge mechanism. This exemption will not apply if the value exceeds Rs.5000/-.

Q13. Can a buyer of goods and services pay the value of services/goods to the supplier and deposit the GST component of the invoice in the supplier's account so that when the buyer claims input credit, he may get the same cross entry tallied from the supplier's account?
Ans. No. This option is not available under GST Law.

Q14. In case there are disputes regarding quality, weight, etc. between the buyer and the supplier and the goods are returned fully or partially, as found unfit for use, can the excess paid tax component be adjusted from future tax liability?
Ans. In such cases, the supplier may issue a credit note to the recipient in accordance with the provisions of Section 34(1) of the CGST Act, 2017.

Q15. Whether deduction of Liquidity Damage (LD)/Penalty deduction from contractor's bills and charging Penalty for non-lifting of coal till targeted minimum level to Annual Contractual Quantity (ACQ) will attract GST?
Ans. Yes, it is a service being "tolerating an act" as per Schedule II of the CGST Act,2017 thus GST shall apply.

Q16. Will GST be payable at the time of raising an invoice for supply of goods from a mining lease holder or it will be applicable on the amount of advance received by the mining company for booking the order?
Ans. As per the provisions of Section 12(2) of the CGST Act, 2017 the time of supply of goods shall be the date of issue of invoice or the date of receipt of payment, whichever is earlier. Accordingly, GST would be payable on advance payment received prior to issuance of the invoice.

Q17. Will the supplier have to issue "receipt voucher" against each advance received?
Ans. Yes, as per Section 31(3)(d) of the CGST Act, 2017 the supplier has to issue a "receipt voucher" for every advance received.

Q18. How do I show the advance received in GSTR-1?
Ans. Where against an advance the invoice is issued in the same tax period, the advance need not be shown separately in Form GSTR-1 but the specified details of invoice itself can be directly uploaded on the system. Details of all advances against which the invoices have not been issued till the end of the tax period shall have to be reported on a consolidated basis in Table 11 of Form GSTR-1. As and when the invoices against these advances are issued, they have to be declared in Form GSTR-1 and the adjustment of the tax paid on advances against the tax payable on the invoices uploaded in Form GSTR-1 shall have to be done in Table 11 of Form GSTR-1.

Q19. In case no supplies are made against an advance, will the dealer have to issue a "refund voucher" only for the advance or for advance including GST?
Ans. Refund voucher has to be made for the full value of advance, including the amount of GST.

Q20. It will be difficult to link between "Advance Receipt Voucher" and invoices in case of sales billing on Cash Sale (Rail/Road)/e-Auction etc., especially in case of Rail Cash sale, where purchasers deposit money in advance to the tune of many crores for which lifting of coal has to be made from various loading point and time. In such situation how will the billing person at one point realize how much "balance advance" is available for adjustment while raising invoice at his end at a specific point of time?
Ans. Under GST gross amount of advance is to be reported and tax has to be paid. Advance can be adjusted in totality. While raising the invoice subsequent to receipt of advance, the tax payable will get reduced by the amount of tax paid on the advance and balance amount of advance may be adjusted against future supplies.

Q21. Will GST charged on purchase of all earth moving machinery including JCB, tippers, dumpers by a mining company be allowed as input credit?
Ans. The provision of Sec. 17(5)(a) of the CGST Act, 2017 restricts credit on motor vehicle for specified purposes listed therein. Further, in terms of the provision of Section 2(76) of the CGST Act, 2017 the expression 'motor vehicle' shall have the same meaning as assigned to it in Clause (28) of Section 2 of the Motor Vehicle Act, 1988, which does not include the mining equipment, viz., tippers, dumpers. Thus, as per present provisions, the GST charged on purchase of earth moving machinery including tippers, dumpers used for transportation of goods by a mining company will be allowed as input credit.

Q22. Whether GST is payable on royalty (to be paid to Government) for Mining Lease granted by State Govt.
Ans. Yes, on royalty GST will apply under reverse charge mechanism. Further, such payment of GST under reverse charge mechanism would be eligible as ITC in the hands of the recipient of supply for payment of GST.

Q23. Is ITC available on hiring of immovable properties (land, office, warehouse, processing unit, stock yards) for facilitation of mining operations?
Ans. Yes. GST paid on hiring of land, office, warehouse, processing unit, stock yards when these are used in the course or furtherance of business, would be allowed as ITC.

Q24. What is the time limit for availing input credit under GST?
Ans. As per provisions of Section 16(4) of the CGST Act, 2017, the ITC is not available after the due date of furnishing the return for the month of September of the next year or furnishing of the annual return, whichever is earlier.

Q 25. Would the net outstanding amount of unutilised input credit be refunded by the Government?
Ans. In terms of the provision of Section 54(3) of the CGST Act, 2017 subject to conditions, refund of unutilized input tax credit would be available in respect of zero rated supply or where ITC has accumulated on account of rate of tax on inputs being higher than the rate of tax on the output supply. However, such refund of ITC would not be available if export duty is payable on the goods so exported out of India.

Q26. Will GST charged by tax consultants, advocates, chartered accountants, environmental consultants, canteen service providers and other service providers to mining companies be allowed as input credit?
Ans. ITC on any input service/ inputs used in the course or furtherance of business would be available subject to restrictions and other conditions as per the provisions of Chapter-V of the CGST Act, 2017. However, tax paid in respect of canteen service providers shall not be available as credit.

Q27. Whether free issue of coal to employees paid in course of employment and on the basis of wage agreement with value below Rs.50, 000/- per employee will attract GST?
Ans. Gifts not exceeding fifty thousand rupees in value in a financial year by an employer to an employee shall not be treated as supply of goods or services or both (as per Schedule 1 of the CGST Act, 2017). Free issue of coal based on the wage agreement is not a gift. Therefore, free issue of coal in this case will attract GST.

Q28. Can GST charged as per transport bilti on movement of mineral from mine to the buyer be allowed as ITC to the buyer irrespective of the ownership of the transporting vehicle?
Ans. In case of an FOR contract for supply of mineral from the mine to the buyer, it is a composite supply where the consideration will be inclusive of the transportation cost. Therefore, GST on forward charge will be payable by the supplier of the mineral and credit will be available to the buyer if otherwise available. The supplier of the mineral will also pay tax on reverse charge basis on the freight charged by the GTA and the credit of the same will be available to the supplier of the mineral. In case of an ex-works contract of supply, where the GTA service has been booked by the supplier at the instance of the buyer and the service is billed by the GTA to the buyer and the minerals are billed by the supplier of the mineral to the buyer, then GTA on reverse charge shall be paid by the buyer who shall be entitled to take credit of the same. The tax on the mineral will be paid on forward charge by the supplier of the mineral and credit will be available to the buyer if otherwise available.

Q29. Will the situation as mentioned above be different if the value of mineral is less than the cost of freight in long distance consignments?
Ans. In the aforesaid example relating to FOR contract, the supply under the contract shall be classified as 'composite supply' where there is a principal supply and other supplies are naturally bundled and supplied in conjunction with each other in the ordinary course of business. The GST rate of principal supply shall be applicable in this case i.e. GST rate as applicable to the mineral.

Q30. Exploration companies undertake exploration activities for preparing mining blocks for auction in different States in the country. They use rigs for exploration. CENVAT credit was available on rig operations under the earlier law. Will the company be eligible to take ITC under GST?
Ans. Rigs, capitalized in the books of accounts as capital goods are used in the course or furtherance of business. Hence, it will be eligible as capital goods and ITC will be available under GST.

Q31. Will ITC be available for holding Environmental Clearance (EC) and Forestry Clearance (FC) meetings and for obtaining 'consent to operate' the Mines?
Ans. Yes, ITC on expenses incurred in the course or furtherance of business shall be available.

Q32. Will the mining companies be eligible to take ITC for construction of townships, hospitals and schools?
Ans. No. Mining companies will not be eligible for ITC on such activities even if used in course or furtherance of business. In this connection, refer the provisions contained in Section 17(5)(c) of the CGST Act, 2017.

Q33. Are minerals sent for export in processed or raw form fully exempted from payment of GST or IGST?
Ans. In terms of the provision of Section 16(1) of the IGST Act, 2017 export of goods is considered as zero rated supply. Further, in terms of the provision of Section 16(3) of the IGST Act, 2017 a registered person may export goods (i) without payment of IGST against bond/letter of undertaking and claim refund of unutilised ITC, or (ii) on payment of IGST, utilising eligible ITC and claim refund of such IGST.

Q34. What is the procedure for return of goods under GST?
Ans. In terms of Section 34(1) of the CGST Act, 2017 in case of return of goods on which GST was paid at the time of supply, the supplier of such goods may issue a credit note for the full value, including the amount of GST in favour of the recipient, and will be entitled to reduce his output tax liability subject to the condition that the recipient of such supply has not availed credit of such GST and if availed, has reversed his ITC on the same.

Q35. How can we take support during filing of returns, as huge mines are located throughout the districts in the country, especially in rural and backward areas, and the problem will be aggravated as the huge number of mines are operating without any IT infrastructure?
Ans. Returns may be filed from the central office of the Company which are usually located in areas with infrastructure required for filing such returns.

Q36. Whether GST TDS will be applicable on Works Contract Jobs (to be renamed as Supply of Services) in case of PSUs, since such GST TDS U/s 51(1) of CGST Act. 2017 is applicable on: a) Dept. or establishment of the Central Govt. or State Govt.; or b) Local authority; or c) Govt. agencies; or d) Such persons or category of persons as may be notified by the Govt. on the recommendations of the Council.
Ans. TDS, under Section 51(1) of the CGST Act, 2017 will apply to supplies made to such agencies as may be mandated by the Government for TDS. As of now, this section has not been notified and therefore TDS is not applicable on any supplies..

Q37. What is the requirement for E-way bill for companies operating in the sector?
Ans. As per rule 138 of the CGST Rules, 2017, till such time as final rules are issued, the Government may, by notification, specify the documents that the person in-charge of a conveyance shall carry while the goods are in movement or in transit storage. As and when the new e-way bill rules are notified, the person transporting the goods shall carry the said e-way bill generated from the common portal along with the invoice (challan in the case of movement other than by way of supply).

Q38. Whether an Input Service Distributer (ISD) will be eligible to distribute the ITC in respect of services received during April 17 to June 17 even if the invoices are raised and submitted by contractors after appointed date i.e. in July 17.
Ans. In terms of Section 140(7) of the CGST Act, 2017 the ISD will be able to distribute the available credit even if the invoices are received after the appointed day.

Q39. In Table 5(b) of GST-TRAN-1, the details of Form C, F and H/I are to be given for the period April 15 to June 17 (i.e. for 27 months) which would be a voluminous task. Reasons of furnishing the details for last 27 months may please be clarified?
Ans. In cases where sales were covered by Forms C, F, H and I, the input tax credit has remained in the account of the taxpayer because the taxpayer has availed of the benefit of concessional rate/nil rate of tax on the sale/stock transfer under CST Act. The benefit of concessional rate/nil rate is available conditional upon production of the statutory forms. Therefore, allowing migration of the credit that has accrued on account of sale/stock transfer having been made on concessional rate/nil rate should be given only on production of the statutory forms. Even otherwise, the taxpayer would have claimed refund of this ITC and such refund would have been given only on production of the statutory forms. It has been presumed that forms for periods before April '15 would have either been presented or the State would have recovered the additional tax payable on account of non-production of statutory forms. Production of these forms is a statutory liability and the taxpayers have already availed the benefit.

Q40. Education Cess and S&H Education Cess carried forward in ER-1-whether eligible for ITC under the CGST Act, 2017?
Ans. No. Credit of Education Cess and SH Education Cess cannot be carried forward.

Q41. What will happen to the balance available in the current account (PLA) under Central Excise, deposited in cash in advance by any assesse?
Ans. Balance in PLA will not be under transition to GST since that has not been appropriated to the Government account which will be determined post completion of the pending assessment. The same can be claimed as refund under the Central Excise Law.

Q42. Whether credit of Green Cess (Clean Energy Cess) paid on coal and available at the time of transition be eligible for being carried over?
Ans. No. Credit of Clean Energy Cess cannot be carried forward on transition.

Q.43. Whether stock held by mining companies on which Clean Energy Cess has been paid be chargeable to Compensation Cess in GST regime?
Ans. Yes. Compensation Cess will be charged on supply of such stock.

Q.44. Can supplies of coal under a particular order or under FSA (Fuel Supply Agreement) be eligible under the definition of continuous supply of goods?
Ans. Such supplies are in the nature of continuous supply as the invoices are raised periodically. The individual dispatches may be covered under delivery challans and invoice may be issued for the supplies made during a period as per the contract.

Q.45 In case of coal, the applicable Compensation Cess is a Fixed Amount of Rs.400/- per MT. Under above situation, how such apportionment is possible since in case of FSA Sale, supply of different grade of coal as per availability of stock against single bulk receipt of "Advance" is to be adjusted?
Ans. If tax rate is not determinable, the tax rate may be determined and paid on the amount of advance at 18%.

Q.46 Whether Railway siding in mining industry exclusively utilized for effecting dispatch of taxable goods viz. coal (i.e. directly used in the course or furtherance of business) will be treated as plant and machinery and ITC under GST will be allowed or treated as civil structure and ITC will be denied?
Ans. ITC will not be available as railway siding is not plant and machinery as defined in Section 17 of the CGST Act, 2017.

Q.47 According to HSN Code 2516 calcareous building stone comes under 5% tax rate, but simultaneously under HSN Code 6802 it comes under 28% tax rate. Clarity on the same may be provided by the Government.
Ans. Chapter 68 covers value added articles of sandstone etc. which are further worked other than by way of roughly trimmed or merely cut into blocks or slabs.

Q.48. Whether supply of HSD free of cost for mining operation would attract GST and whether the input tax credit would be available for GST so charged by the Service provider?
Ans. HSD is outside GST and therefore, input tax credit would not be admissible.

Q.49 Will ITC be available on steel, timber and sometimes cement which are used in the underground mines to provide a protective device for security purpose?
Ans. Credit will not be available if these goods are supplied for construction of an immovable property. But if these are temporarily placed for protective purposes, credit will be available.

Q. 50 As per Section 54(3), it is clear that no refund of ITC will be available for export in the cases where product is subject to export duty. Iron Ore export is subjected to export duty. In the earlier regime, the exporters were allowed to take refund of service tax paid on exports. Will not our exports become uncompetitive as no refund of ITC will be available?
Ans. The refund of ITC credit is not admissible in view of the second proviso to Section 54(3) of the CGST Act, 2017.

Note: Reference to CGST Act, 2017 includes reference to SGST Act, 2017 and UTGST Act, 2017 also. Similarly reference to CGST Rules, 2017 includes reference to SGST Rules, 2017

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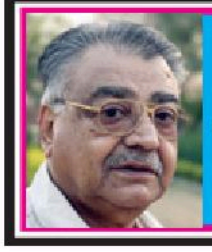

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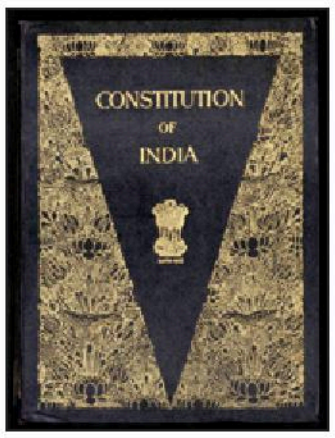
Saluting the Majority and Minorities of India

"Indians may have a vote but they are not represented."

—David Selbourne, Journalist



A diplomat is one who remembers the birthday of a woman but forgets the year of her birth. So goes a joke on diplomats. Our immediate past Vice-President **Hamid Ansari** seems to have forgotten this diplomat's credo, himself having been an IFS man, who worked and retired as a diplomat when he was hand-picked by UPA for Vice-President's Office, no doubt because he was a Muslim. Otherwise, he would not have said what he said on demitting his Office: *"There is a sense of unease among Indian Muslims."* This was the parting shot of Hamid Ansari to the majority Hindus, no doubt. Let it be.

That he certainly did not suffer that **"sense of unease,"** though a Muslim, must be acknowledged from the fact that he held the position of great power and honour all through his life. Yet, he had chosen to speak, on what evidence we do not know, for the Muslims of the country. Not surprisingly, the new Vice-President **M. Venkaiah Naidu** accused Hamid Ansari of indulging in **"Political Propaganda."** For whom? You guessed it.

The National General Secretary of BJP **Kailash Vijayvargiya** hit the nail right on the head when he accused Hamid Ansari of seeking **"Political Shelter"** post-retirement from UPA. He was merely speaking his **"Mater's Voice."** I guess, though he had his Freedom of Speech as a matter of right in this country, he seemed to have timed it wrongly.

There is absolutely no doubt Hamid Ansari was a wise and learned person but his scholarship should not cross the *'Lakshman Rekha'* necessary to preserve and protect Democracy as a political system of a civilised country. Could be that he had gone overboard in underscoring and justifying a profound statement made by our former Vice-President and then President **Dr. S. Radhakrishnan** that he quoted in his parting Rajya Sabha speech: *"A Democracy is distinguished by the protection it gives to minorities. A Democracy is likely to degenerate into a tyranny if it does not allow the opposition groups to criticise freely and frankly the policies of the government."*

This takes me to an earlier occasion when our Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** had completed three years in Office. Then President **Pranab Mukherjee** said Modi was one of the most effective communicators who has given a new direction to India's economy. He should know, having been the Finance Minister of India for many years in the Congress government. Pranab Mukherjee also said, *"Without the capacity to be a good communicator, one cannot expect to lead millions of people... The subjects chosen by Modi for his (monthly) radio programme 'Mann Ki Baat' affect the lives of a billion people."*

Now, turn to Hamid Ansari who also spoke on the occasion: *"Mann Ki Baat is an ingenious and influential communication platform created by Modi..."*

Continuing, he made a very wise, and in my opinion, a timely observation sans **"Political Propaganda for Congress,"** if I may say so. To me, the language he used, as published in the newspapers I read, seemed a bit complex. I may need help to dissect or unravel its deeper meaning from the book *"Do I Make Myself Clear?"* by **Sir Harold Evans,** former Editor of *The Sunday Times* and *The Times of London.*

This is what Hamid Ansari said: *"Semantics differentiate between an Orator and a Demagogue; both speak to persuade, both play on emotions. The difference is often subjective and depends on the trust reposed by the audience."*

History tells me that Adolf Hitler was a Demagogue and Winston Churchill was an Orator. Do we see a parallel in Narendra Modi here to Hitler or to Churchill? Using the power of semantics, Hamid Ansari has made his listeners to decide who Narendra Modi is — a Demagogue or an Orator. Here indeed Hamid Ansari exposes himself, nay reveals himself, as a true diplomat. An attempt at hurting without wounding!

Be that as it may, I am no mind-reader but this time let me hazard one. Hamid Ansari thinks Narendra Modi is a demagogue.

I have read that in the Greek City State Athens, when Pericles spoke, the people said 'How well he spoke' but when Demosthenes spoke, the crowd shouted 'Let us go and burn their houses.' This is the difference between Oratory and Demagogy. Which of these two speakers could be compared to our Narendra Modi is what seems to be bothering some of the 'Secularists.'

Likewise, in Rome a few hours after Cicero, the noble Roman Counsel spoke on an issue, another Counsel Claudius spoke and succeeded in exciting the mob to a serious riot by raising the issue of rising price of corns as one of the results of exiled Cicero's return to Rome. So much for Oratory and Demagogy.

On this 70th year of our Independence, I could not but agree with the Indian origin **UK leader Lord Meghnad Desai,** who was asked in an interview published in *The Hindu* of August 8, 2017:

Question: What is the prescription for the Congress?

Answer: *I would advise the Congress to* ***construct a narrative based on citizenship, not on binaries Secular-Communal.*** *Religion is a private matter and a person's rights should be guaranteed as* ***Citizens*** *of the Country not because they are Hindus or Muslims...*

He then goes on to give the example of the Bangladesh writer **Taslima Nasrin.** In West Bengal, even the Communists (so called Secularists) were not backing her or protecting her because of fear of losing **Muslim votes.** If this is a genuine Secular country, this cannot happen, this Secularism is bunkum. This is just a vote-getting trick. Go back to the notion of Rights, a notion of Citizenship first and then think of Concession and Reservation based on Caste or Minority Status.

A re-think on these lines might help further strengthen our Democracy now racing towards an unknown future.

Jai Hind

NOTE: *I dedicate this 'Abracadabra' to my friend* ***K. Vijaya Kumar,*** *former Jt. Director of Information and Publicity, for inspiring me or provoking me (I do not know which of the two) to write this column after reading my yesterday's article in SOM titled,* ***"50 years of Freedom and Failures."*** *He had sent me a message yesterday night at 10.11 pm stating: "India 70 should appear tomorrow 14th in your column. I urge you to start writing it now." When a friend orders, it is pleasure to obey.* Here it is. **— KBG**

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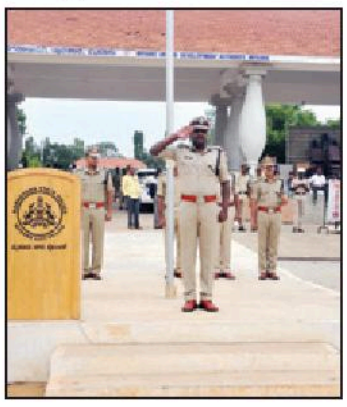
Independence Day

Police issue guidelines



Mysuru, Aug. 14 - The Mysuru City Police have issued guidelines for the public to follow during the Independence Day celebrations at Torchlight Parade Ground in Bannimantap here, tomorrow.

1. The Police have instructed the management of educational institutions to provide security to their students by deploying additional security and also instructed the students and public not to touch any suspicious items and inform them in case of them noticing such items.

2. To install CCTV cameras in malls, places of worship, markets, railway station, bus stands, airport and other public places besides instructing the owners and management of commercial establishments to deploy additional security.

3. House owners have been instructed to collect complete details of the tenants before giving their houses on rent.

4. The owners of hotels, guest houses, lodges have been instructed to collect complete details and also check the luggage of their guests.

5. The public and participants are instructed to go through the security checks before entering the Torchlight Parade Ground where the I-day celebration will be held.

6. Public have been instructed not to carry any kind of weapons, camera, water in glass bottles and large bags.

7. Public have been banned from entering the ground and are instructed to watch celebrations from the place reserved for them.

Vehicle Parking

1. Arrangement for entry and parking of two-wheelers and cars of general public has been made at Gate 1 and Gate 5.

2. Public can enter the ground through Hanumanthanagar side gate.

3. Entry and parking for Police personnel and media will be from Gate. 2.

4. Entry and parking for participants is through Gate 8.

5. Public must follow the instructions by the Traffic Police.

6. Action will be initiated against the traffic violators.

'Walk of Joy' enters city

Britisher on a mission to raise funds for Indian farmers

Mysuru, Aug. 14 (VNS)- He is on a mission to address the woes of the farmers who have been committing suicide owing to drought and debt. But, he is not an Indian.

He is a British and his name is David Atthowe, who has been travelling across India to learn more about the problems faced by Indian farmers.

Travelling, would normally mean, a person using some vehicle or aircraft as his mode of transport. But, David has been walking all through, along with his two friends- Jasvir Singh and Bahadur Singh, both from Patiala in Punjab.David, who will be walking around 6,000 kms, started his journey from Kanyakumari, the southern tip of India, on July 15 and expects to complete the mission during May 2018.

Speaking to Star of Mysore, David said that the 'Walk of Joy' was taken up to promote walking for happiness, promote organic farming and also to raise funds for the welfare of deceased farmers' family.

David is also the founder of an Indonesia-based NGO Nomadic Lion, which has completed three walks covering a distance of 3,650 kms in Malaysia, Brunei and United Kingdom.

During his two-day stay in Mysuru, David will visit Amurtha Bhoomi, a seed conservation facility run by Sahaja Samrudha, Organic Cotton Farming at H.D. Kote and Seed Bank belonging to Syed Ghani Khan at Kirugavalu.

The trio will leave for Mandya on Aug. 16, following which they will be travelling to Bengaluru.

BJP Chief holds meeting with RSS leaders

Bengaluru, Aug.14 (KMS&DM)- BJP National President Amit Shah, who is on a 3-day visit to the State to lift the spirit of the party workers ahead of the 2018 Assembly polls, held a breakfast meeting with RSS leaders at the State RSS Headquarters in Chamarajpet this morning.

Shah is said to have interacted and taken feedback from RSS functionaries on political scenario in the State selection of candidates for the 2018 Assembly polls and the affairs of the State unit of the party, in the meeting that lasted over two hours.

The meeting assumes much significance in the wake of reports that several RSS functionaries are not happy with the style of functioning of State unit President B.S. Yeddyurappa and also BJP National General Secretary in-charge of Karnataka P. Muralidhar Rao, for not making much of an impact or ushering in discipline in the party. As many as 25 RSS functionaries and Sangha leaders attended the meeting, it is learnt.

Shah thereafter took part in an interaction with select section of the media at a private hotel later in the afternoon, it is learnt.

Shah is expected to wind up his three-day tour later this evening, after attending a few other scheduled party programme, according to sources.

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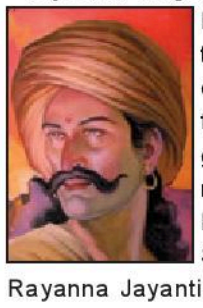
Tiny-tots as Radhe-Krishnas on Janmashtami

Children dressed as Radha and Krishna posing with a girl dressed as Yashoda during the Krishna Janmashtami function organised by District Administration at Kalamandira in city this morning. The tity-tots were awarded a cash prize of Rs. 500 each by MUDA Chairman D. Dhruvakumar. Unfortunately, the Janmashtami function received poor response from the general public as only a handful of children took part. Meanwhile, grand celebrations in temples across the city will be held tomorrow.

Floral tributes to Sangolli Rayanna in city



Mysuru, Aug.14(PM&DM)- Floral tributes to the portrait of freedom fighter Sangolli Rayanna marked Krantiveera Sangolli Rayanna Jayanti celebrations organised under the aegis of Mysuru Kannada Vedike at Freedom Fighters Memorial Hall in Subbarayanakere this morning.

C. Shivakumar, Planning Co-ordinator, Integrated Tribal Development Planning Council, inaugurated the event.

Social worker K. Raghuram, Film Producer Ln. Venkatesh, writer Kamala Jain, Photo Journalist Gavimatha Ravi, Journalist M. Beeresh and agriculturist A.M. Swamy Gowda were presented 'Sangolli Rayanna' awards on the occasion.

Vedike President Balakrishna, Mysuru Freedom Fighters Association President M.G. Krishnamurthy and others were present.

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Shivapura Satyagraha Soudha cries for 'FREEDOM' from anti-social elements

By Nagaiah Lalanakere

An inspiring monument of India's freedom struggle located adjacent to the Mysuru-Bengaluru highway at Shivapura of Maddur taluk in Mandya District, stands testimony to the don't-care approach of the officialdom. Built to commemorate the Shivapura Flag Satyagraha of 1938, the Satyagraha Soudha was declared open on Sept. 26, 1979 and now it has become a hub of illegal activities.

The Flag Satyagraha was a glorious chapter in the struggle for freedom from the British and the Shivapura monument is an architecturally-unique edifice and a symbol of patriotic fervour.

A large number of people from the old Mysuru region, following a call by Mahatma Gandhi, participated in the Satyagraha at Shivapura in 1938 to assert the right to hoist the National Flag that was banned by the British rulers then.

A Satyagraha was also held at Shivapura to oppose the British rulers against renaming a road in Mysuru as 'Hamilton Road' and in naming after British officials/ rulers many monuments/ roads in different parts of the State.

To a traveller on the four-lane highway between Mysuru and Bengaluru, the Shivapura monument looks majestic. Only when he enters the building, he will discover the state of neglect the structure is in. The monument has no security set up even in the night and the place has become a haven for anti-social activities. Many people come here after dark to indulge in drinking, gambling and even prostitution. Playing cards, empty liquor bottles and condoms are found all over the place and the wine shops in the vicinity add to the air of disrepute.

A visitor entering the Satyagraha Soudha premises finds no evidence whatsoever of the historic protest, except for a mention on the foundation stone. Fungus has covered the central dome of the hall with water seepage from everywhere when it rains. Doors are missing, window panes broken and the place stinks of urine.

The pathetic state of the portrait of Sahukar Chennaiah inside the Satyagraha Soudha.

Inside the monument, or outside, there is no board to indicate the name of the place and its importance and no programme is held in the auditorium, except for the ceremonial flag-hoisting function on August 15 every year. A visitor can find open and smelly sewage lines around the monument where the dirty water flows from the surrounding houses in the absence of a proper drainage system.

The Shivapura Satyagraha Soudha.

The responsibility of maintaining the monument has been handed over to the PWD and the Horticulture Department and none of them have taken the task seriously. To top it all, District Administration is not serious about its maintenance.

History says that it was the first time in April 1938 that women of Mysuru region came out in full force at Shivapura to observe the Flag Satyagraha. More than 30,000 men and women had congregated at venue on April 10 that year and organised "The Mysore Youth League Movement" under the leadership of Tagadur Ramachandra.

The shattered window panes

While Siddlingaiah hoisted the Flag, various other leaders including H.C. Dasappa, Subbamma Jois, Yeshodara Dasappa, Ballari Siddamma, Venkamma, Kamalamma, Savithramma, T. Sunandamma, H.K. Veerannagowda, Sahukar Chennaiah, Gopalashetty, M.G. Bandigowda, S. Rangaiah, M.N. Jois, Jogigowda, Patel Mallayya and others inspired the gathering. On that day, a giant pendal was put up using 60 arecanut trees that accommodated over 30,000 people.

The architect of Vidhana Soudha Kengal Hanumanthaiah, who had participated in the Flag Satyagraha, decided to build a monument when he visited Mysuru on February 14, 1974. Accordingly, the monument was inaugurated on September 29, 1979 near the Railway Station.

The State Government, during S.M. Krishna's regime, had decided to construct an annexe to the Satyagraha Soudha at a cost of Rs. 1 crore. But only Rs. 50 lakh was released and the construction works stopped. Thanks to the apathy of PWD, Horticulture Departments and the City Municipal Council, some items like doors and granite stones have been stolen from the annexe.

The master plan of a grand annexe that included repairs of the fountain, installing decorative lights, introducing audio-visual programme to recollect the freedom struggle, setting up of a photo gallery, and necessary facilities to visitors has remained on paper.

Though a Committee, comprising former City Council President B.R. Srinivas Murthy, K.T. Chandru and Dr. K. Ramesh, was formed to develop and beautify the monument, nothing materialised. Despite the Committee members willing to take up development activities, there is no financial support from the Government.

Unfortunately, tall leaders of the region, including former Chief Minister S.M. Krishna, MLAs D.C. Thammanna, M.H. Ambarish, MP C.S. Puttaraju, former MP D. Madegowda, K.S. Puttannaiah and others, are silent on the state of affairs at Satyagraha Soudha.

Sewage water flows around the historic monument marring its beauty. The entire Soudha stinks due to this.

"Idea of India would be good if it is Akhand Bharat"

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"My mother Janak Lata Bagai wanted to be a dentist. But, when a teacher in a college in Gujranwala, where she was born, eloped with his student, it put an end to her studies. Her father took her out of school and taught her Urdu because it was a beautiful language of India," said **Kamal Kant Bagai.**

"We are impoverished as far as language is concerned today. We neither have the verbal repertoire nor can we articulate the way our forefathers did," said **Prof. Sachdeva,** the Linguist.

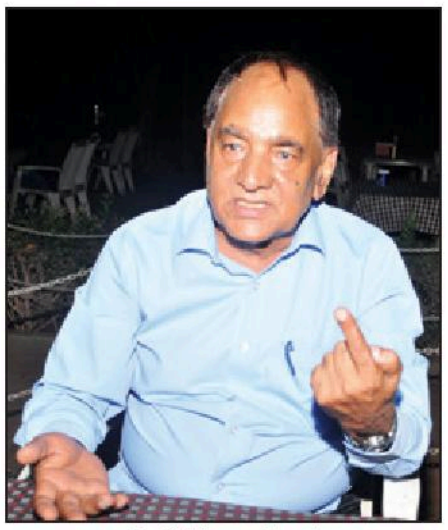
"She would wrap around a khadi-woven saree as a young girl and along with other girls wave flags, picket in front of liquor shops and break bottles. She had heard of Gandhiji and Subash Chandra Bose," said **Bagai.**

In the undivided Punjab of those days Sikhs, Hindus and Muslims all spoke Punjabi. The word Sikh means learning, a *Shishya.* The Sikhs never believed in caste or man-made boundaries. Everybody sported a beard and a turban those days and it was not just confined to the Sikhs, reminisced **Bagai and Prof. Sachdeva.**

"My mother Vimala Sachdeva was a graduate and a gold medallist in Sanskrit. She knew Urdu and Punjabi and her best friend was a Muslim. My father Yogaraj Sachdeva was in the army," said **Prof. Sachdeva.**

His (Sachdeva) mother narrated the story of how they had to leave Pakistan. They were living in a comfortable house with all facilities. His father was at work. His mother was cooking. Suddenly a person came from the army and asked her to immediately leave. She just picked her two daughters, a few items and left behind silver, crockery and reached Dhaepai, near Amritsar to her husband's elder brother's place. "It was the height of civil war. My mother did not know anything, but a few days later she learnt what my grandmother living in Ferozepur had done. Even as hordes of Hindus came shouting *Har Har Mahadev* to their house and threatened my grandmother suspecting that she was hiding Muslims in her house, she would fiercely protest and ask them to go away. She had hid nine Muslim families in the basement!," said **Prof. Sachdeva** and added, "The very next train, after the one that had carried my mother and sisters, was completely burnt."

Recalling his father's experience, he said that his father's boss was a Muslim and so was his clerk. He had to remain in Jhelum for about two months. Finally, one day, the clerk told his father that the boss was turning against him. *"Aaj raat aap gaadi se nikhal jayie."* And he left without telling his boss. He had grown a beard and almost looked like a Pathan. Those were the days of uncertainty. Finally, the train reached Delhi and, "As you see in the movie *Bhaag Milkha Bhaag,* the administration had set up camps and because the documentation was so good, my father traced my mother's family. My mother could not recognise him immediately," said **Prof. Sachdeva.**



Prof. Mewa Singh

Malerkotla, lone island of peace

Prof. Mewa Singh, listening to the stories of Partition and its horrors, quietly told this writer in a very measured voice, "There was not a single Muslim killed during Partition in Malerkotla, where I was born." When asked him for the reason, he said: "There is a very interesting but a real tale. The State of Malerkotla was established in 1600 A.D. It is noteworthy that during the 1947 riots when Punjab was in flames, the State of Malerkotla did not witness a single incidence of violence; through it all, it remained unaffected."

The roots of communal harmony date back to 1705, when Sahibzada Fateh Singh and Sahibzada Zorawar Singh, 9 and 7-year-old sons of 10th Sikh Guru, Guru Gobind Singh, were ordered to be bricked alive by the Governor of Sirhind, Wazir Khan. His close relative, Sher Mohammed Khan, Nawab of Malerkotla, who was present in the court, lodged vehement protest against this inhuman act and said it is against the glorious tenets of *Quran* and Islam.

However, Wazir Khan did not heed to the protest. He had asked the two young sons of Guru Gobind Singh to convert to Islam. The children refused. Wazir Khan had them tortured and built a wall around them, while they were still alive. When they did not heed to his demand for conversion, Wazir Khan beheaded both of them, narrated **Prof. Mewa Singh.**

When Guru Gobind Singh learnt about the protest made by Nawab for the killing of his two sons, Guru Gobind Singh blessed the Nawab with his Hukamnama, Kirpan, etc. In recognition of this act, the State of Malerkotla did not witness a single incidence of violence during Partition.

"We should nurture the idea of India, the cradle of world civilisation, as Akhand Bharat. Let us get back to the old days before the Partition. India without borders, both within and without, is the only way forward. When East and West Germany could be united, why cannot we think of something similar? Until today, we are paying a price for Partition. You cannot re-draw the border but you can make them irrelevant," was the unanimous voice of all the four Punjabis, whom *SOM* spoke to on the eve of 70th I-Day.

Amritha Preetham

But Guru Gobind Singh's disciple Banda Singh Bahadur went to Sirhind and killed Wazir Khan thus taking revenge for his Guru's sons' inhuman killings, recalled **Prof. Mewa Singh.**

Reciting the lines of **Amritha Preetham,** the renowned Punjabi poet's *Ajj Aakhan Waris Sha Nu,* a famous dirge about the horrors of the Partition of Punjab during the 1947 Partition of India, he said, the poem is addressed to the historic Punjabi poet Waris Shah (1722-1798), who had written the most popular version of the Punjabi love tragedy, *Heer Ranjha.*

Today, I call Waris Shah, "Speak from your grave,"

And turn to the next page in your book of love,

Once, a daughter of Punjab cried and you wrote an entire saga,

Today, a million daughters cry out to you, Waris Shah,

Rise! O' narrator of the grieving! Look at your Punjab,

Today, fields are lined with corpses, and blood fills the Chenab.

"One of my elder brothers, a farmer, who works in the fields, always sings the song of Heer Ranjha while driving his tractor. There are also many research works on this famous poem," said **Prof. Mewa Singh.**

"We should nurture the idea of India, the cradle of world civilisation, as **Akhand Bharat.** Let us get back to the old days before the Partition. India without borders, both within and without, is the only way forward. **When East and West Germany could be united, why cannot we think of something similar?** Until today, we are paying a price for Partition. You cannot redraw the border but you can make them irrelevant," was the unanimous voice and call of all the four Punjabis, whom this writer spoke to ■

Mysore Gravel Fest 2017

K.M. Bopaiah emerges as fastest driver

Mysuru, Aug.14- The Automotive Sports Club of Mysuru conducted the Mysore Gravel Fest 2017, at the ground located near Lalitha Mahal Helipad yesterday.

Thousands of spectators thronged the venue to witness the event.

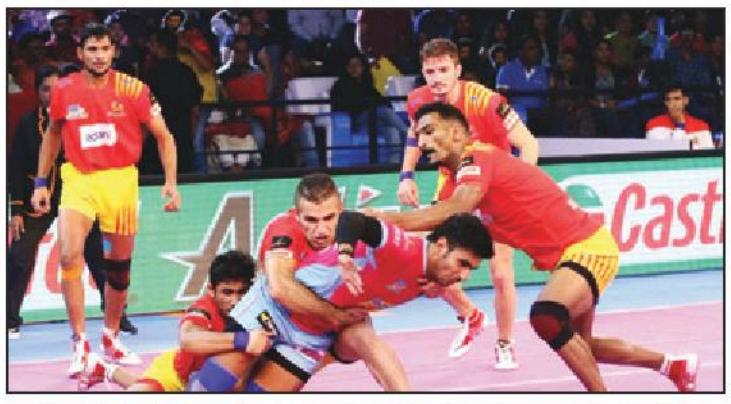
The racing event was held in Upto 1,100cc, over 1,100cc, Upto 1,400cc, over 1,400cc, Upto 1600cc Indian Open Class, Unrestricted. The event also had special categories Ladies Open Class, SUV Class (Hard top only) and Mysore Open Class.

RESULTS

Fastest Driver of the Day	K.M. Bopaiah (Kodagu) (Rs. One Lakh cash prize)
Upto 1,100 cc	1. Habeeb Mohammed Zubair, 2. Baban Khan, 3.Rajashekar Murthy
1,100 cc to 1,400 cc	1. Ravi Kiran Gowda, 2. Chethan Shivaram, 3. Syed Salman Ahmed
1,400 cc to 1,650 cc	1. Dhruva, 2. K.M. Bopaiah, 3. Syed Salman Ahmed
Mysuru Local Open Class	1. Ravi Kiran Gowda, 2. N.A. Bopanna, 3. R. Varun
Ladies Open Class	1. Harish Gowda, 2. Kiran V. Gowda, 3. Mekala Kagli

Pro Kabaddi 2017

Fortunegiants continue their winning spree



Ahmedabad, Aug. 14- Gujarat Fortunegiants continued their brilliant run on home turf as they recorded their third victory on the trot at The Arena in Ahmedabad on Sunday evening beating Jaipur Pink Panthers 27-20, courtesy of a solid defensive show. Sukesh Hegde won the toss to kick-start the proceedings of the evening. It started with a couple of empty raids from Jaipur's Tushar Patil and Hegde himself. The first point of the match was won from Abozar Mighani's ankle hold tackle on Jaipur's Jasvir Singh. The third minute saw the first do-or-die raid of the match where Rohit Gulia failed to score and gifted Jaipur their first point of the match.

Both the teams were competing with similar mindset, not allowing the opponents to get ahead by keeping plenty of focus on defence, and going for the kill only in do-or-die raids. The two top moments of the half came from Gujarat's Sachin who almost pulled off a super raid in the 14th minute but was awarded two points, and Jaipur's Nitin Rawal, whose inch-perfect dubki bamboozled the Gujarat defence as he also fetched two points for his team. It was a neck-and-neck first half and both teams went into the breather at 10-10.

The second half also started with two empty raids and again defensive approach taking over. From the 25th minute onwards, Gujarat, however, started picking up points regularly with everything clicking for them in both departments. The 31st minute saw the first All-Out of the match for Jaipur as Manjeet Chhillar was tackled off the mat. Jaipur failed to match Gujarat's brilliance as the home team marched on to their third successive home victory.

Gujarat's defence made the real difference with Fazel Atrachali and Mighani picking up 4 points apiece on a day captain Hegde did not secure a single point. But Sachin had yet another good day at the office and returned seven points. Clearly, the influence of Atrachali, Mighani and Sachin worked wonders for the home team.

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TODAY'S MATCH

Bengal Warriors Vs Puneri Paltan 9 am

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NTC-NR Cup AITA Championship Series U-12 Tournament

Arya shocks top-seed Jason David

Mysuru, Aug.14- Karnataka's Arya S. Prabhu playing a consistent baseline game shocked the top-seeded state-mate Jason M. David 9-6 and entered the semi-finals in the Boys U-12 section on the second day of NTC-NR Cup 2017 AITA Championship Series U-12 Tennis Tournament organised by Nagaraj Tennis Centre at the SJCE Courts, here yesterday.

RESULTS

U-12 (Boys: Quarter-finals: (Best of 17 games): Arya S. Prabhu (KAR) bt Jason M David (KAR) 9-6, Shravan Somasi (KAR) bt S. Chandan (KAR) 9-4, V. Rakshak Tharun (KAR) bt Rishivardhan Sadeesh (KAR) 9-4, Mustafa M. Raja (KAR) bt Ruvik Rajini (Kar) 9-4.

Girls : Quarter-finals: J. Apoorva (KAR) bt C.B. Pavithra (KAR) 9-1, Aadya M. Bhat (KAR) bt Harshini Nagaraj (KAR) 9-3, Anjana Krishnamurthy (KAR) bt Gagana Mohan Kumar (KAR) 9-3, Kanika Shree (KAR) bt S. Sai Sahasra (TS) 9-4.

55th National Challengers Chess Championship

Thejkumar scores over Vikee Vishal

Ahmedabad, Aug.14- IM M.S. Thejkumar representing RSCB in the 55th National Challengers Chess Championship 2017 at Ahmedabad registered a good win over Vikee Vishal of Bihar (Rating 1806) in Round 1, yesterday.

After the first round, IM M.S. Thejkumar is placed 9th in the ranking with 1 point from 1 round. He will meet Tamil Nadu's Tarun V. Kanth (Rating 2031) in the second round which is scheduled today.

Nonthaburi ITF Women's Tennis

Dhruthi wins Round 1 qualifier

Thailand, Aug.14- Mysuru-based Dhruthi T. Venugopal, won her first round qualifying match in the women's singles event beating Thitarat Kanophuet 6-2,6-0 yesterday.

Dhruthi will also take part in the women's doubles event teaming up with Dabin Kim of Japan.

Rahul, Manish Pandey make a comeback

Yuvraj Singh axed

Mumbai, Aug. 14 - Yuvraj Singh was axed even as Karantaka's batsmen K.L. Rahul and Manish Pandey made a comeback to the Indian squad for the five-match One Day International series and one-off Twenty20 against Sri Lanka.

The 15-man squad was announced after a two-hour long selection meeting. While Ravichandran Ashwin, Ravindra Jadeja and Mohammed Shami were rested, Rohit Sharma, Yuzvendra Chahal and Mumbai's Shardul Thakur got a call-up for the series. Left-handed batsman Suresh Raina was also not included in the squad.

The five-match ODI series begins on Aug. 20 at Dambulla. The T20-I will be played on September 6.

INDIAN SQUAD

Virat Kohli (Captain), Shikhar Dhawan, Rohit Sharma (Vice Captain), K.L. Rahul, Manish Pandey, Ajinkya Rahane, Kedar Jadhav, M.S. Dhoni (Wicket Keeper), Hardik Pandya, Axar Patel, Kuldeep Yadav, Yuzvendra Chahal, Jasprit Bumrah, Bhuvneshwar Kumar and Shardul Thakur.

"It's same law for government official or general public"

Workshop on 'Road Safety' held

Mysuru, Aug.14 (SP&NNN)- "The Law does not discriminate between a government official, private person and organisations. It is the same for everyone," said Traffic ACP K.N. Madaiah.

He was reacting to a question about what action would the Traffic Police take against KSRTC bus drivers who flout the road rules regularly, at an one-day interaction session organised by the Mysuru City Traffic Police for the vehicle drivers of school and college students at J.K. Grounds auditorium here yesterday.

The law does not differentiate between the rich and the poor, a high-ranking official or an ordinary man on the street. Reiterating that action had been taken against KSRTC bus drivers, Madaiah said that sufficient notices had been served on them. In fact a bus driver who was driving the Mysuru-Chamarajanagar route (KA-10 F-198) had been fined for violating traffic rules.

Added to this, the Driving Licenses of many, who had violated traffic rules, had been suspended and even cancelled, he said.

Everyone should strictly follow traffic rules and compulsorily wear seat belts. Since it is dangerous to run autorickshaws and cabs fitted with LPG cylinders, it should be removed. Everyone driving on Ring Roads should be extra cautious and strictly follow traffic rules. At signal lights, one should stop the vehicles behind Zebra Crossing and only when the lights turn green should one move forward. Children should be carried on two-wheelers very carefully and everyone should be well informed about traffic rules.

Therma Sensor: In most of the prominent places in the city, most modern electronic signal lights have been installed. In another month, it will also have therma sensors. This new addition will help faster movement of traffic as the signal lights automatically turn green or red depending on the flow of traffic, said Madaiah.

Devaraja Traffic Inspector Sandesh Kumar, KR Divison's Manjunath, VV Puram Division's Vivek, NR Division's Jayakumar, SI Puttaswamy, Traffic Wardens, Traffic Police Constables and school and college student drivers participated in the interaction.

Freezer stolen from Veterinary Hospital

Mysuru, Aug.14 (RK&DM)- Miscreants, who forced open into the Government Veterinary Hospital at Kalastawadi near Siddalingapura on Mysuru-Bengaluru Road late last night, have made good with a freezer, estimated to cost about Rs. 25,000. The burglars are said to have gained entry by breaking open the rear door of the Hospital.

Metagalli Police, who have registered a case in this regard, are investigating.

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BEML employees to stage dharna tonight

Mysuru, Aug. 14 (KS)- Opposing the Government's move to privatise public sector giant BEML (Bharath Earth Movers Ltd.), the BEML employees despite staging several protests for months and also staging dharna at Jantar Mantar in New Delhi on Aug. 9 and 10, over 500 employees of BEML, under the banner of BEML Employees Association, Mysuru, will stage a dharna from 6.30 pm today till 6 am tomorrow in front of Town Hall here.

The Union Government recently approved the disinvestment move to reduce its shareholding from 54.03% by 26% in BEML, effectively reducing its stake in the Public Sector Unit to 28.03%, which the BEML Employees' Association had called the move as a step towards privatisation of the unit.

Association President N.K. Devadas, speaking to *SOM* this morning, said that during the two-day stir at Jantar Mantar in New Delhi recently, Kolar MP K.H. Muniyappa, Mandya MP C.S. Puttaraju, Kerala MP M.B. Rajesh, Kollam MP Premachandran, West Bengal MP Tapan Sen and other elected representatives met them in New Delhi during the stir and extended their support and co-operation to them.

He said that Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha and Bengaluru Central MP P.C. Mohan met them and took them to Union Minister Ananthkumar, who assured of supporting them in their cause.

Devadas said that about 500-600 BEML employees including contract workers and officers would stage an overnight protest today.

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Igguthappa Kodava Association gets CA site for healthcare unit

Krishnaraja MLA M.K. Somashekar is seen handing over allotment letter of a CA site sanctioned by the Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) based on the directive from Chief Minister Siddharamaiah to Mudera P. Belliappa, President of Igguthappa Kodava Association, Vivekanandanagar. The CA site has been sanctioned at Srirampura for the Association to set up a healthcare unit. MUDA Commissioner Dr. M. Mahesh, MUDA Chairman D. Dhruvakumar, Association Hon. Secretary Anjanda Kumari Ganapathy, Vice-President Nellamakkada Kaverappa and Committee Members Chottekalappanda Prema Uthaiah, Appachattolanda Beena Erappa, Chemira Thammaiah, Saddmudira Kalappa, Chottangada Belliappa and Kuppanda Subbaiah were present.

ಷೇರಿನಿಂದ ಹಣ ಗಳಿಸಿ

ಷೇರಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಹಣ ಗಳಿಸುವುದು ಎರಡು ರೀತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ - ದೀರ್ಘಕಾಲಿಕವಾಗಿ ಮತ್ತು ಅಲ್ಪಕಾಲಿಕವಾಗಿ. ಸರಿಯಾದ ಷೇರುಗಳನ್ನು ಆರಿಸಿ ಆದರಲ್ಲಿ ತಿಂಗಳು ತಿಂಗಳು (SIP ಯಂತೆ) ಹಣವನ್ನು ದೀರ್ಘಕಾಲಿಕವಾಗಿ ವರ್ಷಗಟ್ಟಲೆ ಹೂಡಿದಾಗ ನಿವೃತ್ತಿಗಾಗಿ ಒಂದು ದೊಡ್ಡ ಮೊತ್ತವನ್ನು ಖಂಡಿತವಾಗಿಯೂ ಸಂಗ್ರಹಿಸಬಹುದು.

ಸರಿಯಾದ ಸಂಶೋಧನೆ ನಡೆಸಿ, ಸರಿಯಾದ ಸಮಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಷೇರು ಮಾರುಕಟ್ಟೆಯ ಏರಿಳಿತಗಳನ್ನು ಆಧರಿಸಿ ಹಣವನ್ನು ಹೂಡುವುದರಿಂದ ಅಲ್ಪಕಾಲಿಕವಾಗಿಯೂ ವರ್ಷಕ್ಕೆ 30 ರಿಂದ 40% ವರೆಗೂ ಲಾಭವನ್ನು ಅಪೇಕ್ಷಿಸಬಹುದು - ಎನ್ನುತ್ತಾರೆ ಅಂತಾರ್ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಖ್ಯಾತಿಯ ತರಬೇತುದಾರರಾದ ಡಾ॥ಭರತ್ ಚಂದ್ರ.

ಷೇರು ತುಂಬಾ ಆಕಾಯಕರ ಮತ್ತು ಆರ್ಥವಾಗದ ಗೊಂದಲಮಯ ಮಾಯಾಬಜಾರ್ ಎಂಬ ತಪ್ಪು ಕಲ್ಪನೆಯನ್ನು ನಿವಾರಿಸಿ, ಇದು ಹಣವನ್ನು ಗಳಿಸುವ ಉದ್ದಿಮೆ ಎಂದು ವ್ಯವಹರಿಸಿದರೆ ಇದರಿಂದ ಲಾಭ ಖಂಡಿತ.

ಷೇರು ಮಾರುಕಟ್ಟೆಗೆ ಹೊಸಬರಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಈಗ ಹಣ ಹೂಡುವುದರ ಬಗೆಗೆ ಚಿಂತನೆ ನಡೆಸುತ್ತಿರುವ ಮತ್ತು ಈಗಾಗಲೇ ಷೇರು ಮಾರುಕಟ್ಟೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಹೂಡಿಕೆದಾರರಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಇನ್ನು ಮುಂದಾದರೂ ವೈಜ್ಞಾನಿಕವಾಗಿ ಹಣ ಹೂಡಲು ಇಚ್ಛಿಸುವವರಿಗಾಗಿ ಈ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಗಾರವನ್ನು ರೂಪಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.

ಮೈಸೂರಿನಲ್ಲಿ ನಾಳೆ ಮತ್ತು ನಾಳಿದ್ದು ಕೊನೆಯ ಉಚಿತ ಸೆಮಿನಾರ್‌ಗಳು.

ನಂ.	ವಾರ	ದಿನಾಂಕ	ಸಮಯ	ಸ್ಥಳ
1	ಮಂಗಳವಾರ	15ನೇ ಆಗಸ್ಟ್	ಮಧ್ಯಾಹ್ನ 3.10ಕ್ಕೆ	ಭೂನಿರಾಣಿ ಲಕ್ಷ್ಮೀಬಾಯಿ(JLB) ರಸ್ತೆಯ, MUDA ದ ಎದುರುಗಡೆ ಇರುವ ರೋಟರಿ ಹಾಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ
2	ಬುಧವಾರ	16ನೇ ಆಗಸ್ಟ್	ಸಂಜೆ 6.15ಕ್ಕೆ	

ಯಾವುದಾದರೊಂದು ಸೆಮಿನಾರ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಿ. ಭಾರತದ ಅತೀ ಯಶಸ್ವಿ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮ

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WORD OF THE DAY

Arvo

Meaning: Australian Slang. Afternoon.
Origin: Arvo is an Australian shortening of afternoon. Because of the Australian accent, the -f- in afternoon sounds like more like a v, which is how this term gets its spelling. It entered English in the 1930s.

THE ODD WORD

Saltativeness

Ability to jump

IDIOM OF THE DAY

Get a word in edgeways

Meaning: Join a conversation in which another is speaking continually and leaving little opportunity for others.

Origin: 'A word in edgeways', or as it is sometimes written 'a word in edgewise', is a 19th century expression that was coined in the UK. 'Edgeways/ edgewise' just means 'proceeding edge first'. The allusion in the phrase is to edging sideways through a crowd, seeking small gaps in which to proceed through the throng.
The phrase 'edging forward' exactly describes this inch-by-inch progress. It was first used in the 17th century, typically in nautical contexts and referring to slow advance by means of repeated small tacking movements, as here in Captain John Smith's The generallhistorie of Virginia, New-England and the Summer Isles 1624:
After many tempests and foule weather, about the foureteenth of March we were in thirteene degrees and an halfe of Northerly latitude, where we descried a ship at hull; it being but a faire gale of wind, we edged towards her to see what she was.
The first example of 'a word in edgeways' in print is from the one-act play Twelve precisely! or, A night at Dover, 1821.

QUOTE BOX

I'd rather attempt to do something great and fail than to attempt to do nothing and succeed. **—Robert H. Schuller**

RIDDLE THIS

You have bag, you put a lump of metal into the bag, then you put a lama into the bag, then you put something else into the bag, and yet the bag weighs nothing. Why?

Answer: Because there's a hole.

SUDOKU

				1				
	2	5				7	6	
9			5		2			3
	1		7		4		2	
	6						7	
	9		6		8		5	
6			9		5			1
	5	1				9	8	
				8				

Answer to previous puzzle

9	8	5	4	7	6	3	2	1
1	4	3	5	2	8	6	9	7
2	7	6	1	3	9	4	5	8
6	2	1	8	4	7	5	3	9
8	3	9	2	6	5	1	7	4
7	5	4	3	9	1	8	6	2
5	1	7	9	8	3	2	4	6
3	9	2	6	1	4	7	8	5
4	6	8	7	5	2	9	1	3

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

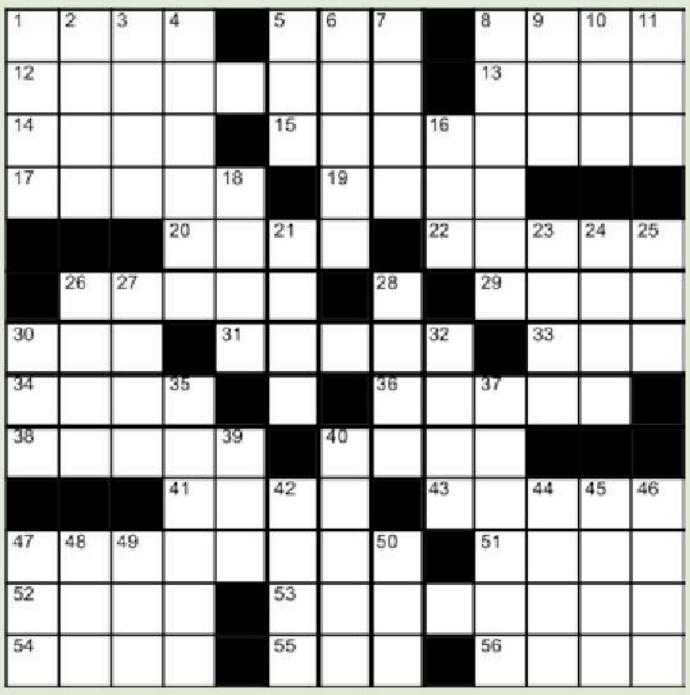
1 Aeronautical Mobile Satellite Serv.
5 Commonwealth Games in short
8 U.S. State, for short (1,3)
12 One who is authorised to do something or to produce or sell goods
13 Commonly used abbreviated term for a car?
14 Press (clothes, etc)
15 Generosity, good will or charity
17 Leaning ___of Pisa
19 Titular king of Naples (1409-80)
20 "C" in P&T dept.'s PC
22 Water plants
26 City in Japan
29 Sign of tiredness
30 Couple
31 Fix firmly into a surrounding mass
33 Owner Requirements Table
34 Completes or finishes
36 Humble in attitude or spirit, meek
38 Guwahati locale
40 Long story
41 Come into view in indistinct and enlarged form
43 ___Flynn : ex-Hollywood star of great renown?
47 Small caps worn by ladies on fingertips while sewing
51 Our Prime Minister Narendra ___
52 Amer Inst. of Aero. & Astro.
53 Freedom or room to move about or carry out some action
54 Sean of Hollywood
55 Curved line
56 Myra ___: famous pianist?

SATURDAY'S ANSWER:

D	U	L	Y	■	S	H	O	E	■	H	A	T
A	R	I	A	■	H	E	L	L	■	I	W	O
U	S	E	S	■	R	E	D	E	E	M	E	D
B	A	S	H	F	U	L	■	V	I	A	■	■
■	■	■	M	U	G	■	Z	E	A	L	O	T
G	L	E	A	N	■	R	O	N	■	A	M	U
R	I	N	K	■	B	O	O	■	D	Y	E	S
A	M	C	■	P	U	B	■	T	H	A	N	K
F	E	A	S	T	S	■	B	A	A	■	■	■
■	■	M	A	U	■	P	Y	R	R	H	I	C
I	M	P	O	S	T	O	R	■	A	I	N	U
E	L	E	■	H	E	R	O	■	V	E	R	B
R	I	D	■	A	L	T	N	■	I	D	E	S

DOWN

1 Got down from a bus or a train or a plane
2 Spanish Surrealist artist
3 Flat-bottomed boat
4 Roman philosopher and statesman
5 Chennai based IPL team
6 Bizarre, outlandish or peculiar
7 Hereditary unit
8 In a rational manner, not idiotically
9 Give it to the devil - it is his!
10 Anti-tetanus serum, abbr
11 Knock outs, abbr.
16 Cloning matter
18 Dissolute man
21 Arthur C Clarke book series
23 A prison
24 Crooked
25 Tolkien's tree like creature
26 ___ up : confesses or admits?
27 Pieces of turf
28 Fleck or Bartók
30 Afternoon meal
32 Venetian magistrate
35 Mr.Khan of Bollywood
37 Gentle heat
39 Gathering of disorderly and angry people
40 Pap ___ : a test for cancer of the cervix?
42 Clay water jar
44 A French rake, dissolute man
45 An equalising allowance or a handicap, in a way
46 Tells an untruth
47 Connect into someone else's telephone secretly?
48 Hurry, in old-fashioned or poetic English
49 Botham or Chappell of cricket
50 Supplemental Type Certificate



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

EIFIP MEDIPPQND JZQP IEIOJ SKIE KI MB

OGRMEC G OMBDGRI

TODAY'S CLUE: I EQUALS E

Saturday's Cryptoquip: Take care of the luxuries and the necessities will take care of themselves

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Mass Leader	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
	Mahadeshwara	9900820093	4 Shows
E-One	Prabha	2423569	2 Shows
	Sri Maruthi	9980351129	4 Shows
Raj Vishnu	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
Operation Alamelamma	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
Jaani	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
Raajakumara	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
HINDI			
Toilet: Ek Prem Katha	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
Dirty Dancer	Uma	2520009	4 Shows
TAMIL			
Velai Illa Pattathari (VIP) 2	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
TELUGU			
Jaya Janaki Nayaka	Prabha	2423569	2 Shows
LIE	Olympia	2420737	4 Shows
	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
Nene Raju Nene Mantri	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows

DRC CINEMAS — PH: 4240422, 4241800

Mass Leader (K)	(S-1)	11.00 am
	(S-2)	4.40 pm, 7.15 pm
Operation Alamelamma (K)	(S-1)	1.45 pm
The Emoji Movie (E-3D)	(S-1)	4.15 pm, 6.00 pm
	(S-2)	10.30 am, 12.15 pm
Atomic Blonde (E)	(S-1)	7.45 pm, 9.55 pm
LIE (Te)	(S-2)	1.55 pm
Chunkzz (Ma)	(S-2)	9.55 pm
Jab Harry Met Sejal (H)	(S-3)	11.00 am
Jaani (K)	(S-3)	1.45 pm
Velai Illa Pattathari (VIP) 2 (Ta)	(S-3)	4.30 pm; (S-4) 1.30 pm
Nene Raju Nene Mantri (Te)	(S-3)	7.00 pm
Jaya Janaki Nayaka (Te)	(S-3)	9.55 pm
Toilet: Ek Prem Katha (H)	(S-4)	10.30 am, 4.00 pm
		7.00 pm, 9.55 pm

INOX LIVE THE MOVIE — PH: 2533444 / 2533456

Toilet: Ek Prem Katha (H)	(S-1)	10.55 am, 4.00 pm, 9 pm
	(S-2)	10.00 am, 1.10 pm
		6.50 pm, 9.55 pm
The Emoji Movie (E-3D)	(S-1)	2.05 pm, 7.05 pm
Velai Illa Pattathari (VIP) 2 (Ta)	(S-2)	4.15 pm; (S-4) 9.45 pm
LIE (Te)	(S-4)	4.00 pm
Chunkzz (Ma)	(S-3)	10.55 am
Mass Leader (K)	(S-3)	1.25 pm, 7.05 pm
Nene Raju Nene Mantri (Te)	(S-3)	4.05 pm, 9.50 pm
	(S-4)	1.00 pm
Jab Harry Met Sejal (H)	(S-4)	10.10 am, 6.55 pm

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AIR ON TUESDAY

6.00 am Patriotic Songs, 6.10 Geetaradhana, 6.30 Chinthana, 6.35 Sannutigeete, 6.45 Bhavageete, 7.15 Sponsored Prog., 7.45 Film Songs, 8.35 Navilugari, 10.00 Vocal Recital, 10.30 Hindi Film Songs, 11.00 Kamanabillu, 11.30 Keli Kali, 12.00 noon Chukki Chinna, 12.30 Mahila Ranga, 1.00 Devotional Songs, 1.30 pm Madhyanada Madhurya, 2.35 Chinnara Chukki, 3.00 Vividha Bharati Programme, 4.00 Yakshagana, 5.00 Gaana, 6.15 Folk Songs, 6.50 Krishi Ranga, 8.00 Yuvavani, 9.16 Rangageete, 10.30 Hindi Film Songs.

EVENTS TODAY (AUG.14)

Artist couple Raghotham Putty and Lalitha R. Putty Memorial Programme: Painting and photography exhibition of Manasa Putty (granddaughter of the artist couple) and her husband M.C. Arun, Suchitra Art Gallery, Kalamandira, **up to 7.30 pm.**

CO-OPTEX (Tamil Nadu Handloom Weavers' Co-operative Society Ltd.): Exhibition of Silk Kora Cotton and Cotton Sarees, Co-optex Showroom, Narayana Shastry Road, **up to 8 pm.**

Sahara Art and Craft: Shopping Festival-2017, Scouts & Guides Ground, behind DC's Office, **up to 9.30 pm.**

Sri Bhandarakeri Mutt: 38th Chaturmasya Vratam of Sri Bhandarakeri Mutt Pontiff Sri Vidyesha Teertha Swamiji, 'Harinama Sankeerthana' by Bhajana Mandali, **4.30 pm to 5.30 pm;** Discourse, Sri Raghavendraswamy Mutt, Jayalakshmipuram, **6 pm to 7.30 pm.**

Sri Geetapracharini Sabha Trust: Sri Krishna Janmashtami puja programmes, Abhisheka, Alankara, Sahasranama Archane, **6 pm;** Mahamangalarati, Prasada Viniyoga, Geetha Mandira, Ashoka Road, 33rd East Cross, Sri Geeta Mandira Road, **7.30 pm to 8 pm.**

Suttur Mutt, Mysuru branch: Shravana month, Mass prayers, **6 pm to 6.30 pm;** Discourse on 'Gubbi Mallannaarya's Veerashaivamrutha Purana' by Dr. B.V. Vasanthakumar, Vaachana by Dr. K. Ramachandra, Mutt premises, foot of Chamundi Hill, **6.30 pm to 7.30 pm.**

Sushira, Sri V. Desikachar's Academy of Music, Mysuru: 17th Annual Music Festival, veena rendering by Vid. Srinivasa Prasanna, accompanied by Vid. B.R. Srinivas on mridanga and Vid. Raghunandan Rao on ghata, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **6.15 pm.**

Bharati Yogadhama of Sri Sadvidya Pratishtana, Sri Vedavidya Prasarini Sabha and Sarada Vilas Educational Institutions: Discourse on 'Bhagavatha Katha' by senior scholar Dr. K.L. Shankaranarayana Jois, Sarada Vilas Centenary Hall, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.15 pm to 8.15 pm.**

Sharana Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru city unit: Shravana Sharana Sanje, residence of Prof. M.C. Prabha, 'Prabhu Nilaya,' Karunapura Layout, N.R. Mohalla, **6.30 pm to 8 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (AUG. 15)

International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON), Mysuru: Sri Krishna Janmashtami celebrations, Shringara Arati, **7.30 am;** Sangeethotsava, **9 am to 10 pm;** Cultural programmes - Instrumental recital by Sumukh R. Prasad and group, **6 pm;** Dance-drama 'Dwaraka Krishna Lilamrutham' by artistes from Chaari Group, Mysuru, **7 pm to 8 pm;** Mahaabhisheka of Sri Krishna Balarama, **10 pm;** Presentation on the pastimes of Lord Krishna, **11.30 pm;** Maha Mangalarati with Sankeertana, **12 midnight;** Prasadam, **12.30 am.**

Avadhoota Datta Peetha: Chaturmasya Vrata Deeksha by Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji, Junior Pontiff of Avadhoota Datta Peetha, Discourse on Yoga Vashista by Sri Swamiji, **7.30 am;** Srichakra Puja, Maha Ganapathy Homa etc., Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashrama, Ooty Road, **8.30 am.**

CO-OPTEX (Tamil Nadu Handloom Weavers' Co-operative Society Ltd.): Exhibition of Silk Kora Cotton and Cotton Sarees, Co-optex Showroom, Narayana Shastry Road, **10 am to 8 pm.**

Sahara Art and Craft: Shopping Festival-2017, Scouts & Guides Ground, behind DC's Office, **10.30 am to 9.30 pm.**

Yashaswini Mahila Sangha (Women's Wing of Babbur Kamme Sangha): Annual General Body Meeting (AGM), Asthana Vidwan Channakeshavaiah Hall, **11 am.**

Sri Bhandarakeri Mutt: 38th Chaturmasya Vratam of Sri Bhandarakeri Mutt Pontiff Sri Vidyesha Teertha Swamiji, 'Harinama Sankeerthana' by Bhajana Mandali, **4.30 pm to 5.30 pm;** Leelotsava, Sri Venkatachaladhama, Ramaswamy Circle, **6 pm to 7.30 pm.**

Sri Geetapracharini Sabha Trust: Sri Krishna Janmashtami puja programmes, Alankara, Ashtothara Puja, **6 pm;** Mahamangalarati, Prasada Viniyoga, Geetha Mandira, Ashoka Road, 33rd East Cross, Sri Geeta Mandira Road, **7 pm to 8 pm.**

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Bharati Yogadhama of Sri Sadvidya Pratishtana, Sri Vedavidya Prasarini Sabha and Sarada Vilas Educational Institutions: Discourse on 'Bhagavatha Katha' by senior scholar Dr. K.L. Shankaranarayana Jois, Sarada Vilas Centenary Hall, **6.15 pm to 8.15 pm.**

Sharana Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru city unit: Shravana Sharana Sanje, residence of T.R. Nataraja, #4595, 'Kalyana,' 4th Cross, St. Mary's Road, N.R. Mohalla, **6.30 pm to 8 pm.**

EVENTS ON WEDNESDAY (AUG. 16)

Avadhoota Datta Peetha: Chaturmasya Vrata Deeksha by Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji, Junior Pontiff of Avadhoota Datta Peetha, Discourse on Yoga Vashista by Sri Swamiji, **7.30 am;** Srichakra Puja, Maha Ganapathy Homa etc., Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashrama, Ooty Road, **8.30 am.**

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Sahara Art and Craft: Shopping Festival-2017, Scouts & Guides Ground, behind DC's Office, **10.30 am to 9.30 pm.**

Lokayukta Police: Receive complaints from public, Chamundi Guest House, JLB Road, **11 am to 1 pm.**

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Sharana Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru city unit: Shravana Sharana Sanje, residence of Prof. M.C. Mallikarjun, #28, 11th Block, JSS Nagar, **6.30 pm to 8 pm.**

I-DAY EVENTS

District Administration: 71st Independence Day celebrations, District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa hoists National Flag, Minister Tanveer Sait, Mayor M.J. Ravikumar, Dy. Chairman of Karnataka Legislative Council Marithibbegowda, ZP President Nayeema Sulthana, MPs Pratap Simha, R. Dhruvanarayan and C.S. Puttaraju chief guests, Torch Light Parade Ground, Bannimantap, **9 am;** Painting Competition for School Children, Kalamandira, **4 pm;** Cultural programmes, MLA Vasu presides, Mayor M.J. Ravikumar chief guest, Kalamandira, **5 pm.**

Sarada Vilas Educational Institutions, Krishnamurthypuram: Institution President B.S. Parthasarathy hoists Tricolour, MLA M.K. Somashekar chief guest, **8 am.**

Ramakrishna Vidya Kendra (RVK), Ramakrishnanagar: I-Day, retd. DDPI H.V. Sheshagiri Rao chief guest, Sri Ramakrishna Seva Sangha President M. Papegowda presides, RVK School Committee President J.K. Basappa will be present, School premises, **8 am.**

KSGH Music and Performing Arts University, JLB Road: I-Day celebrations, Music University VC Dr. Sarvamangala Shankar hoists the National Flag, retd. Law Professor M.S. Venugopal chief guest, University premises, **8 am.**

MMK&SDM Mahila Mahavidyalaya and Girls PU College, Krishnamurthypuram: I-Day celebrations, Parent-Teacher Association President S. Ravishankar hoists the Tricolour, College premises, **8.30 am.**

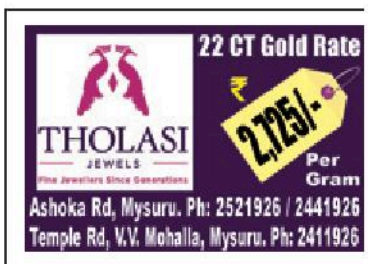
Gopalaswamy Educational Institutions, Lakshmipuram: I-Day celebrations, Gandhi Bhavan Director Dr. Shivarajappa hoists the National Flag, Maharaja Education Trust Vice-President Dr. G. Hemanth Kumar presides, Institution premises, **8.30 am.**

St. Thomas Institutions, Vishweshwaranagar: I-Day celebrations, Institution Manager Rev. Prakash Abraham presides, 13 Kar. Bn. NCC Mysuru Administrative Officer Col. Jagadish Nair chief guest, MES Secretary Sam Cherian and MES Treasurer C. Rajan Zachariah guests of honour, Institution premises, **8.30 am.**

Ideal Jawa Rotary School, JLB Road: I-Day celebrations, Rotary Mysore President Rtn. K.R. Shantha Murthy unfurls the National Flag, School premises, **9 am.**

Aniketana Seva Trust: Swatantrotsava, Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji, Adichunchanagiri Seer Sri Nirmalanandanatha Swamiji and Bishop of Mysore Dr. K.A. William will grace the occasion, former Prime Minister G.D. Deve Gowda inaugurates, former Karnataka Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy chief guest, 'Madhura mandara' Kannada songs programme, Sougandhika Park, Adichunchanagiri Road, Kuvempunagar, **5.30 pm.**

Sneha Sinchana Samskrutika Vedike: 'Swatantryotsava — J.P. Nagarada Nade Sangeethada Kade,' Music, Dance, Mimicry programmes, Sri Ilai Alwar Swamiji graces the occasion, felicitation to ex-Serviceman Ramaiah, journalist Rajashekar Koti, Yoga champion H. Kushi, photojournalist Anurag Basavaraj, music director A.S. Prasannakumar and Sreekar of SaRiGaMaPa fame, Sri Puttaraja Gawai Stadium, next to JSS Public School, J.P. Nagar, **5.30 pm.**



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